

ROSEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
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Overdose Alert

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The Roseville Police Department is issuing an overdose alert:

The City of Roseville is seeing a sharp spike in overdoses and related deaths. Within the past 24 hours, a 16 and 20 year old have both died in separate incidents. Additionally, law enforcement used Nalaxone, a life-saving medication used during an opioid overdose, two times in the past 48 hours to revive those who had suffered from potential overdoses.

The recent spike in overdoses could be contributed to a pill known as "Perc 30", a potent narcotic mixed with fentanyl, which is a deadly synthetic opioid. Official reports in the coming weeks will determine if the recent deaths can be contributed to opioids or synthetic opioids. Roseville Detectives are actively partnering with the Ramsey County Violent Crime Enforcement Team and the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension to locate the source and those responsible for distributing the deadly pills. The Roseville Police Department, along with other participating police departments, will utilize an overdose mapping program called ODMAP to monitor trends.

Physical signs of an opioid overdose include:

- Face is extremely pale or clammy to touch
- Breathing is very slow or stopped
- Body is limp
- Fingernails or lips are blue or purple
- Vomiting or making gurgling noises
- Cannot be woken up from sleep or unable to speak
- Slow heartbeat and/or low blood pressure

The following should be done in the event of an overdose:

- Call 911 immediately if someone is overdosing.
- Use naloxone (Narcan) if a person is having a suspected overdose.
- Seek help through a chemical dependency treatment center.

Minnesota has a "Good Samaritan Law" protecting people from being charged or prosecuted if they act in good faith while seeking medical assistance for someone who is overdosing.

Detectives are asking anyone with additional information related to this case to call the Roseville Police Department at 651-792-7008. On-line tips may be submitted at www.cityofroseville.com/3194/Crime-Tips.

If you have information about these crimes you can report it and stay anonymous by contacting Crime Stoppers of Minnesota at their website www.CrimeStoppersMn.org or by calling 1-800-222-TIPS [8477]; All contact with Crime Stoppers is anonymous and you may qualify for a reward of up to \$1,000.