

Overdose Prevention News

March/April 2019

- March 22, 2019 (USA): Fentanyl overdose deaths rising sharply in the U.S. Hispanic and African-American population.
 - <https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/health/2019/03/22/fentanyl-drug-overdose-deaths-african-americans-hispanics/3243635002/>
- March 25, 2019 (Las Vegas, NV): Three vending machines in Las Vegas provide free naloxone kits
 - <https://www.reviewjournal.com/life/health/las-vegas-vending-machines-offer-opioid-od-reversal-drug-for-free-1626003/>
- March 27, 2019 (Canada): Story of Spencer and Manie's friendship that began in a prison cell and was tragically ended due to a fatal overdose.
 - <https://www.theglobeandmail.com/canada/article-write-me-soon-stay-safe-a-story-of-canadas-opioid-crisis-told-in/>
- April 10, 2019 (Vancouver, BC): Vancouver streets facing fentanyl that is cut with a benzodiazepine that leaves users sedated even after naloxone administration.
 - <https://www.theglobeandmail.com/canada/article-in-vancouver-front-line-workers-face-a-different-kind-of-overdose/>
- April 10, 2019: (Canada): More than 10,300 Canadians lost their lives to opioids in less than 3 years.
 - <https://www.cbc.ca/news/health/opioids-phac-1.5092387>



Links

- TedX Talk by Moms Stop The Harm member, Petra Schulz:
 - <https://youtu.be/8GndHHT82fU>
- New York Times opinion piece on fentanyl hysteria:
 - <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/04/04/opinion/fentanyl-opioids-exposure.html>
- Harm Reduction Journal article on naloxone stability after heating and freezing:
 - <https://harmreductionjournal.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12954-019-0288-4>
- Stigma fighting project titled "See Beyond":
 - <http://www.see-beyond.ca/>
- Video from the April 8th U of A Opioid Crisis Panel:
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MsAZYjgQIT0&feature=youtu.be&t=31m56s>

The purple ribbon is an international symbol of Overdose Awareness

