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## February Drug Checks

52

Drug Tests were completed

29

Samples resulted as expected with only the presumed substance

## Tips

- ✓ Get your drugs tested
- ✓ Do not use alone
- ✓ If you are alone, download the Lifeguard app
- ✓ Start with a test shot/line
- ✓ Carry Nalaxone

## Breakdown of Checks



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samples of fentanyl resulted with the following substances found:

- fentanyl, fluorofentanyl and flualprazolam
- fentanyl and mannitol
- fentanyl, erythritol and flubromazolam
- fentanyl and undifferentiated benzodiazepine
- fentanyl, xylazine and undifferentiated benzodiazepine
- fluorofentanyl, mannitol and xylazine
- fluorofentanyl, bromazolam, caffeine, and erythritol
- caffeine and xylazine

## What is Mannitol?

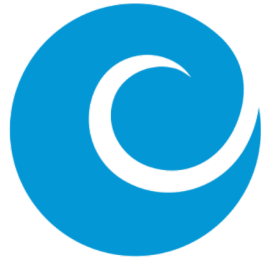
Mannitol is a diuretic medication, meaning it helps the body get rid of water. It is commonly used to reduce swelling around the brain or swelling related to the heart, kidney or liver.

Mannitol has been used as a cutting agent in many street drugs such as fentanyl and cocaine.

Mannitol can cause a range of adverse effects including nausea, vomiting, electrolyte imbalances, kidney damage, seizures, confusion, dehydration, chest pain, heart palpitations, high/low blood pressure and heart failure.

### Can you over dose on mannitol?

No, you cannot overdose on mannitol alone BUT you can overdose on what it is cut into. However, mannitol is DANGEROUS to consume and you can experience various complications and organ damage



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# Care Bus

*A safe space to warm up, talk to an outreach worker,  
and get to where you need to go*

**The Care Bus has been extended and will be  
running until April 30th, 2024**

## **Hours of Operation**

7 days a week from 1pm-9pm



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