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XYLAZINE

WHAT IS IT?

- A veterinary tranquilizer for animal use only
- Not medically used for humans
- Non-opioid
- Also known as “tranq”

WHERE IS IT?

- Often in other drugs, like fentanyl, cocaine, heroin
- Sometimes swallowed, smoked, injected
- Involved in 26% of overdose deaths in some states
- Emerging in Florida

WHY IS IT DANGEROUS?

- Increases risk of overdose
- Doesn't respond to naloxone
- Can cause low blood pressure, slowed heart rate, reduced breathing, skin ulcers
- Contributed to 41 deaths in Palm Beach County in 2022

HOW CAN YOU STAY SAFE?

- Any drug not prescribed by your doctor is unsafe to you. Using multiple substances, including alcohol, increases risk.
- In case of overdose, call 911 and administer naloxone.
- Naloxone reverses opioid overdose--not xylazine--but street drugs can contain multiple substances.

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