

Opioid Affected Youth Initiative





Be on the Look out for Fentanyl!

The DEA has issued a warning to the public regarding the emerging trend of colorful fentanyl. This "rainbow fentanyl" appears to be a new method by drug cartels to sell highly addictive fentanyl to children.

Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid that is 50 times more potent than heroin and 100 times more potent than morphine. Just two milligrams of fentanyl, which is equal to 10-15 grains of table salt, is considered a lethal dose. Without laboratory testing, there is no way to know how much fentanyl is concentrated in a pill or powder.

Additionally, the ways in which fentanyl is consumed may be changing. Authorities in Mobile Alabama are now exploring the possibility of vapes being laced with fentanyl and then sold to teenagers. This came after a 15-year-old died after taking pills laced with fentanyl, after she informed her parents about the possibility of the vapes at her school.

If you or someone you know is struggling with Opioid addiction, please call the National Rehab Hotline: 1-866-210-1301





Halloween Safety Tips

With Halloween right around the corner, here are some tips to stay safe during the trick-or-treat season:

- Carry glow sticks or flashlights, use reflective tape or stickers on costumes and bags, and wear light colors to help kids see and be seen by drivers.
- Join kids under age 12 for trick-ortreating.
- Slow down and be alert! Kids are excited on Halloween and may dart into the street. Turn on headlights early in the day to spot kids from further away.
- Remind kids to cross the street at corners or crosswalks.
- When selecting a costume, make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls. Choose face paint over masks when possible. Masks can limit children's vision.
- Check your child's candy because it can appear in color like certain drugs



FEATURED ARTICLES

http://tiny.cc/vapingdruguse

http://tiny.cc/coloredfentanyl

Calendar Updates:

OAYI Fall Session: 10/18/2022 Halloween: 10/31/2022

Community Resources



- Megan Thee Stallion Mental Health Resources: Bad B—-es Have Bad Days Toohttps://tinyurl.com/meghealth
- Free Fall Baltimore https://freefallbaltimore.org
- Thursdays Anger Management Classes 5:30pm-6:30pm
 Call 667-262-9100/Reflections Behavioral Health/<u>reflectionsbh.com</u>
- Oct 4th Free Computer Class 2pm-4pm Call 410-706-5620/https://bit.ly/3C3qx96

Clothing Resource:

 Oct 15th - Fall Festival & Coat Drive at St. John's Church at 3 PM - 7 PM Western Run Parish - 3738 Butler RD

Trunk and Treats:

- Oct 29th Baltimore's Best Fest/12 PM- 4 PM Rock City Church/1607 Cromwell Bridge RD
- Oct 29th, 4 8 PM/ Gardenville Recreation Center/4517 Hazelwood Ave
- Oct 29th Bengies 4th Annual Trunk or Treat at 4:45pm www.bengies.com/3417 Eastern Blvd.
- More Halloween Events on eventbrite.com

Hiring Events:

- Oct 18th Maryland New Directions Job Fair 2700 N. Charles Street. Suite 200
 - Criminal Background? Justice Involved? We'll help you find a job! Go to bit.ly/MOEDContact today!

October Awareness Month For:

Adopt A Shelter Dog Month
Antidepressant Death Awareness Month
Bat Appreciation Month
Breast Cancer Awareness Month
Caffeine Addiction Recovery Month
Down Syndrome Awareness Month

Dyslexia Awareness Month

Eat Better, Eat Together Month Emotional Wellness Month Financial Planning Month Halloween Safety Month LGBT History Month

Breast Cancer