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Beware of Fentanyl-Laced Counterfeit Pills
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A container labeled "Fentanyl." Call 911 if you suspect someone is having a fentanyl overdose.

The San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department and San Bernardino County Fire Department have seen a rise in the use of counterfeit prescription pills among high school teens.

The departments have also seen an increase in the circulation of the M-30 pill (Oxycodone). This pill is laced with deadly fentanyl, causing overdose deaths.

Fentanyl causes the following symptoms:

- Victim breathes slowly, or stops breathing.
- Victim is drowsy or unresponsive.
- Victim is snoring and you're unable to wake them.
- Victim has small or pinpoint pupils.

If you see these signs, immediately call 911 and say the person is suspected of having a fentanyl overdose. The longer you wait to call, the less likely the person will survive.

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Head-on collision in Hesperia leaves 1 one man dead, 2 injured
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A Hesperia father was killed in a two-vehicle head-on collision over the weekend in Hesperia, which also left two injured. Photos Courtesy Of the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department.

Sheriff’s officials continue to investigate a two-vehicle head-on collision that left a man dead and two injured over the weekend in Hesperia. The Hesperia Sheriff’s Station reported that at approximately 12:44 a.m. on Saturday, deputies responded to a two-vehicle head-on traffic collision near the intersection of Ranchero Road and Tropicana Rose Avenue.

Personnel from the San Bernardino County Fire Department also responded to the scene between Maple and Topaz avenues. Upon arrival, deputies located a 2000 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 that had sustained significant front-end damage, trapping the 41-year-old driver inside his truck. He was later pronounced dead at the scene.

The Sheriff-Coroner’s Division later identified the driver of the Chevrolet as Bengamin Garcia of Hesperia. A 17-year-old boy from Hesperia, a passenger in the Chevrolet, sustained non-life-threatening injuries and was transported to a local hospital.

The other involved vehicle, a 2007 Nissan Pathfinder SUV, also sustained significant front-end damage during the collision. The driver of the Nissan, an 18-year-old man from Hesperia, sustained major injuries and was airlifted to a nearby hospital.

The Hesperia Station Major Accident Investigation Team responded to the scene and assumed the investigation. Preliminary findings indicate the Nissan was traveling east on Ranchero Road while the Chevrolet traveled west on Ranchero Road.

For unknown reasons, the Nissan traveled into the oncoming westbound lane, which resulted in the head-on collision. It is unknown at this time if alcohol or drugs were a factor, and the investigation is ongoing, sheriff’s officials said.

Anyone who may have witnessed the collision is asked by the Sheriff’s Department to contact Deputy D. Caudle or Deputy W. Reutgen at the Hesperia Sheriff’s Station at 760-947-1500.