Rehab Speaks on Narcan?s Effect on Fentanyl

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Located in Portland, Oregon, Serenity Lane recently posted a blog about Narcan and its effectiveness on fentanyl. As one of the oldest non-profit rehab centers in the state, Serenity Lane has seen fatalities caused by a lack of education on how to address opioid overdoses. That?s why they posted an informative blog piece touching on what Narcan is, how it can save lives, and how it impacts those who have taken fentanyl.

To start off the blog, Serenity Lane takes the time to explain what Narcan is and how it interacts with opioids. ?Narcan, or naloxone, is an opioid antagonist medication that reverses the effects of an overdose, allowing emergency responders and medical teams time to intervene.? The blog explains. ?Narcan binds to opioid receptors, blocking the effects caused by various opioids, such as heroin, morphine, and fentanyl. However, this reversal only works for 30 to 90 minutes. After it wears off, they may continue to experience the effects of an overdose.?

Those reading the informative article will learn that Narcan only works for opioid overdoses, but it won?t negatively affect other forms of overdose. This can make it a helpful tool to have as many times opioids like fentanyl can be added to other substances without someone knowing.

?If you or someone you know has been taking this substance or any opioid, it is essential to have Narcan on

hand in the event an overdose takes place.? Serenity Lane tells readers. ?Naloxone can still be administered if someone you know has taken fentanyl alongside a non-opioid substance. While it won't reverse the effects of the non-opioid, you will still be increasing their chances of surviving the overdose.?

The blog then goes on to discuss how to properly utilize different forms of Narcan. While many Narcan nasal sprays and injectors come with instructions, Serenity Lane believes that this information is still important to have readily available. ?In the event someone has experienced a fentanyl overdose, remain calm, check for responsiveness, and call 911 first before you administer naloxone.?

?You might find yourself wondering how to know if you or someone you know is experiencing a fentanyl overdose. Since a fentanyl overdose is a medical emergency, it is crucial to know what signs to look for if you know someone who takes the substance.? Serenity Lane continues. They walk readers through the most common signs of a fentanyl or opioid overdose so they can know what to look for, and be able to jump into action at the right time.

Finally, Serenity Lane touches on a few things to help readers further understand the importance of seeking help. They talk about the Good Samaritan Law, which protects a person from legal trouble when seeking help for an overdose. They also highlight different resources available so local readers can find Narcan and other helpful tools near them. More can be found by clicking the link at the top and visiting the article.

Serenity Lane has been helping people overcome substance and alcohol use disorders since 1973. All of the programs they offer have been accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF). They have introduced many new programs in Oregon, such as residential step-down and outpatient programs that integrate residential and outpatient services. They have also been the provider of the only Addiction Counselor Training Program in Oregon. Some of their graduates are now offering their services through several treatment programs throughout the country.

People who would like to know more about the addiction treatment services available through Serenity Lane of Portland, Oregon can visit their website or contact them by telephone or email. Serenity Lane has live people ready to help place patients from 8:00 am - 7:30 pm Monday through Friday, and 8:00 am - 6:00 pm Saturday and Sunday.

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Serenity Lane has served families in Oregon with high-quality addiction and mental health treatment since 1973. We are an established private, non-profit addiction treatment center, and all of our programs are accredited.

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