



Local Rehab Warns of Hidden Dangers in Cocaine

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Serenity Lane of Bend, Oregon recently shared an article talking about cocaine and some of the many substances it can be cut with. As one of the oldest non-profit rehabs in the state, they have a long history of helping people address substance use and find healing. They want to see their community thrive, so they utilize their knowledge to make free, educational posts shining light on the lesser known aspects of substance use.

To start off their piece, Serenity Lane highlights how truly relevant the topic of cocaine use is. In 2019, close to 5.5 million people in the U.S. used cocaine. This has impacted Oregon as well. Based on data from 2015-2016, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration estimated that 2.5% of people 12 years of age and older in Oregon had used cocaine during the past year.

The rehab center then takes a moment to dive more into what exactly cocaine is, and some of the side effects that are known to be associated with it. What many readers might be most curious about, however, is what a cutting agent is and what exactly it has to do with cocaine.

Cutting agents are substances used to dilute, or "cut," cocaine. The blog explains. Cutting agents are usually used so dealers can give less product for the same price, or so a person can get a more significant

high. Cutting agents vary, and some are household items.?

Serenity Lane highlights to readers why knowing about common cocaine side effects is important ? cutting agents can impact these side effects. While common household items have minimal effect when other drugs like methamphetamines are involved, readers should be alert for additional side effects and what they may mean for someone's health.

The most common cutting agents include household items such as chalk and baking powder, and other substances like methamphetamines and heroin. The blog itself lists additional common cutting agents so readers can be more thoroughly informed. ?Another substance that has become popular to cut cocaine with is fentanyl. Fentanyl is a very potent opioid that can cause a high with a small amount. Dealers will cut cocaine with fentanyl because of this fact, but it's more accurate to say they ?lace? their cocaine with fentanyl.?

?Cutting and lacing are similar. They both involve using another item to make more of a product, but lacing is a bit different. Lacing is adding an illicit substance to get a better high instead of diluting it for a better price.? The rehab center informs readers.

To finish off the piece, Serenity Lane goes into further detail about the dangers associated with fentanyl lacing, as well as what steps readers can take to address cocaine use should they wish to begin their recovery journey. Those interested in learning more about cocaine-cutting agents can read the blog.

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 Bend, 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 was established as a private, non-profit addiction treatment center for alcoholism and drug use in 1973. We have programs throughout Oregon and Southwest Washington. We believe that recovery from addiction is possible.

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