URGENT WARNING

Rainbow Fentanyl is a growing concern

The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) along with the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Council (ADAC) is issuing a warning concerning a rising danger around the fentanyl crisis. What is being called RAINBOW FENTANYL because it is disguised as candy is impacting communities across the nation.

Currently there has not been any credible connection to Halloween candy according to the DEA, but parents should be aware of how the cartels are weaponizing social media to market fentanyl-laced pills. However, drug dealers are making a deliberate effort to attract younger users.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimate that more than 108,000 people in the U.S. died of drug overdoses between February 2021 and February 2022. Of those, more than 70% involved fentanyl and other synthetic opioids.

The U.S. Attorney General Merrick Garland issued the warning that parents should "make sure your loved ones know that they should not take anything that they are not prescribed, they should not take a pill from a friend, and they should not take a pill that is bought through social media because even one pill can kill."



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