

Tranq-Dope and Benzo-Dope in the Ohio Illicit Drug Supply

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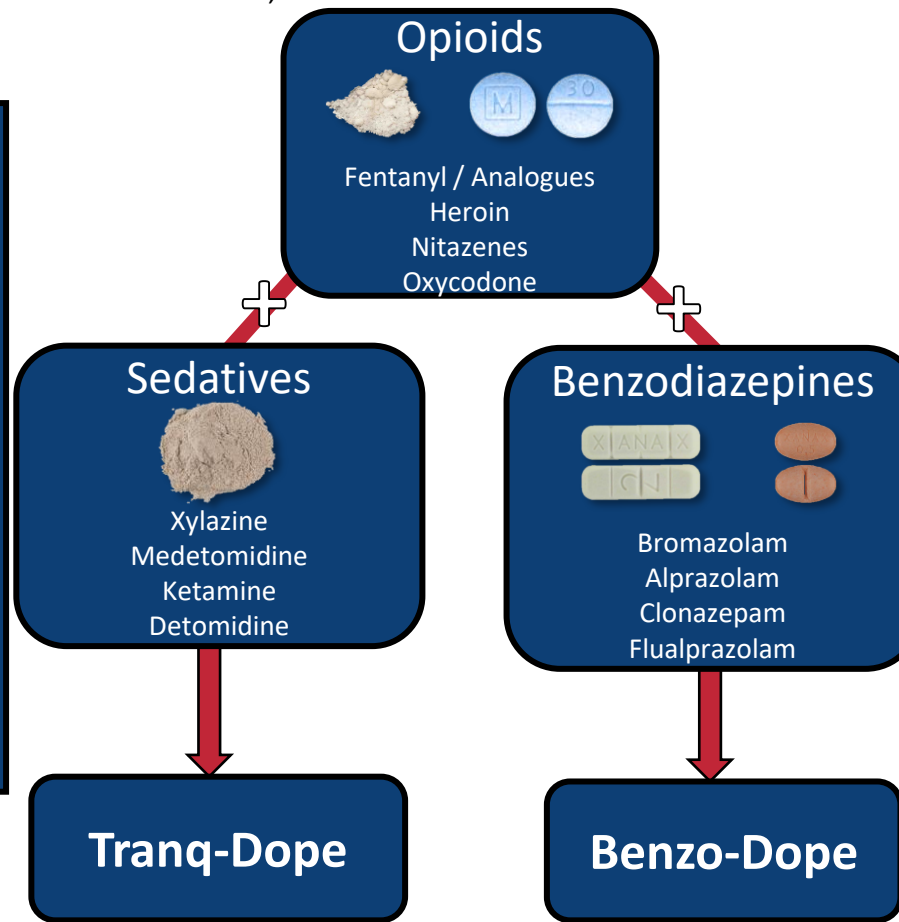
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“Tranq-dope” (an opioid and sedative combination) and “benzo-dope” (an opioid and benzodiazepine combination) are present in the Ohio illicit drug supply. Consuming these drug combinations can increase the risk of a drug poisoning (overdose) and produce additional negative health outcomes (i.e., necrotic wounds due to xylazine use). These mixtures have been observed in powder, counterfeit pill, and rock-like forms in Ohio. Sedatives and benzodiazepines are depressants that produce sedation and muscle relaxation while also lowering heart rate and blood pressure. Opioids such as fentanyl cause significant respiratory depression, which often is the primary cause of death in the opioid-related drug poisoning cases. **If a drug poisoning is suspected, call 911, stay with the individual, and administer naloxone, if available, until breathing is restored. A person experiencing a drug poisoning from tranq-dope or benzo-dope may not respond to a single dose or multiple doses of naloxone.** Additional doses of naloxone may be administered, but may not fully reverse the symptoms of the drug poisoning. For the best chance of survival, the individual should receive immediate medical attention. For information on naloxone visit naloxone.ohio.gov.

“Tranq-Dope” Fentanyl and Xylazine Mixtures Observed in Ohio



Source: Columbus Police Division Crime Laboratory



“Benzo-Dope” Fentanyl and Bromazolam Mixtures Observed in Ohio



Source: Hamilton County Coroner's Crime Laboratory

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About the Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center

The Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center (ONIC) was established in 2019 by Governor Mike DeWine and formally codified as a division within the Department of Public Safety in July 2023. The ONIC operates in four locations across Ohio and assists law enforcement with narcotics-related investigations to include specialized assistance with drug-related violent crime, financial analysis, and dark web and cryptocurrency analysis. The ONIC also develops and coordinates policies, protocols, and strategies to be used by local, state, and private organizations to prevent and respond to illegal drug activities.

