



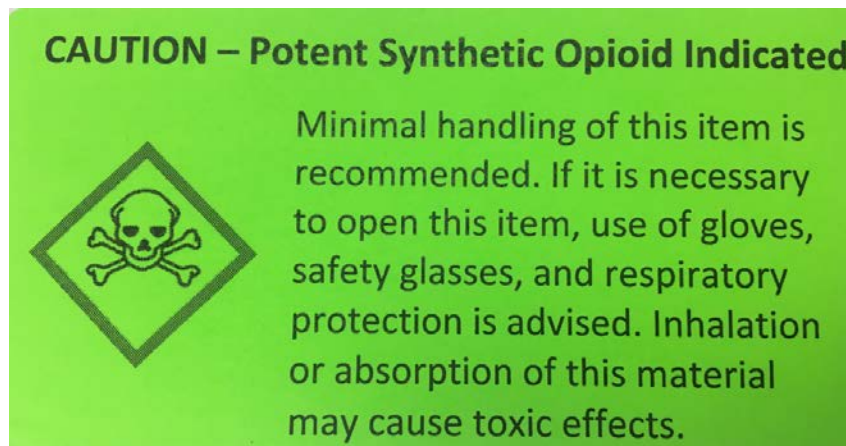
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### OPERATIONS BULLETIN 2017-04 July 13, 2017 Return of Evidence Containing a Potent Synthetic Opioid

As a safety measure, the GBI Crime Laboratory will not ship any evidence package containing any type of fentanyl or other potent synthetic opioid. **This shipping restriction does NOT apply to evidence packages containing heroin or other types of drugs.** Any package containing drug evidence for which test results indicate the presence of any fentanyl or other potent synthetic opioid will only be returned to the submitting agency at the GBI Crime Laboratory. Agencies should make arrangements to pick up this evidence at the laboratory as soon as possible after the laboratory report has been issued. The packages will be marked with warning labels indicating the presence of a potent synthetic opioid. An example of the warning label is shown below. The actual color of the warning label may vary.



Please forward this bulletin to all individuals within your organization who submit alleged drug evidence to the GBI Crime Laboratory.

If you have any questions or concerns about this bulletin, please contact me at [george.herrin@gbi.ga.gov](mailto:george.herrin@gbi.ga.gov) or 404-270-8082.

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