Safe Medication Disposal

Prescription medication plays an important role in treating certain conditions. Unused or expired medications should be properly disposed of to avoid harm. For example, pain medication (opioids) can be very effective for treating pain, but prolonged use or misuse can lead to addiction, accidental poisoning or overdose.

80%+
Of older adults (ages 57 to 85 years) use at least one prescription medication daily[1]

16 million
Americans aged 12 or older misuse prescriptions in a year[1]

62%
Of teens report misusing prescription medications because they can access them from their parent's medicine cabinets[1]

Proper disposal of unused medications saves lives.

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Safe Home Disposal

Medication disposal packets are available at your local pharmacy to support safe disposal of unused medications at home. Scan the QR codes for instructional videos.

DisposeRx ®

1) Remove prescription label, open bottle and fill 2/3 with water.
2) Empty packet of DisposeRx ® into the bottle, replace cap.
3) Shake for 30 seconds then throw bottle in trash.

https://disposerx.com/page/5/product-and-program#video (Link)

Deterra ® Drug Deactivation System

1) Pour medication in Deterra ® pouch and fill 1/2 with water.
2) Wait 30 seconds, seal, shake and dispose in trash.

https://deterrasystem.com/resources/videos/ (Link)

Drop-Off Locations

You can safely dispose of unused or expired medications locally at one of the permanent drug disposal drop-off locations below.

+ Denver Drug
340 S State St
Denver, IA 50622
319-984-5691

+ Clayton Drug
100 E 1st St
Sumner, IA 50674
563-578-5142

+ Bremer County Sheriff's Office
111 4th St NE
Waverly, IA 50677
319-352-2535

+ Center Pharmacy
312 9th St SW
Waverly, IA 50677
319-483-4100

+ Meyer Pharmacy
110 10th St SW
Waverly, IA 50677
319-352-3126

+ Hy-Vee Pharmacy #1872
1311 4th Street SW
Waverly, IA 50677
319-352-1365