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 code for an instructional video.

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)

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Johnson County Drop-Off Locations

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

- **Coralville Police Department**
  1503 5th St
  Coralville, IA 52241
  319-248-1800

- **Hy-Vee Pharmacy #1080**
  1914 8th St
  Coralville, IA 52241
  319-351-3880

- **NuCara Pharmacy**
  1900 James St
  Coralville, IA 52241
  319-358-8000

- **UI Healthcare - Iowa River Landing**
  105 E 9th St Coralville, IA 52241
  319-467-2050

- **CVS Pharmacy** 201 S Clinton St Iowa City, IA 52240
  319-358-6462

- **Hartig Drug**
  701 Morman Trek Blvd
  Iowa City, IA 52240
  319-338-5778

- **Hy-Vee Pharmacy**
  1125 N Dodge St Iowa City, IA 52245
  319-337-6310

- **Hy-Vee Drugstore**
  310 N 1st Ave
  Iowa City, IA 52245
  319-337-6424

- **Hy-Vee Pharmacy**
  812 S 1st Ave
  Iowa City, IA 52245
  319-337-4279

- **Johnson County Sheriff's Office**
  511 S Capital St
  Iowa City, IA 52241
  319-356-6020

- **University Heights Police Department** 1004 Melrose Ave
  Iowa City, IA 52246
  319-887-6800

- **University of Iowa Hospital and Clinics** 200 Hawkins Dr
  CC 106 General Hospital
  Iowa City, IA 52242
  319-384-6800

- **North Liberty Pharmacy**
  555 W Cherry St
  North Liberty, IA 52317
  319-626-6188

- **Solon Towncrest Pharmacy**
  101 Windflower Ln
  Solon, IA 52333
  319-624-2239

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