

Patients – Do You Know How to Get Rid of Leftover Medications Safely?

April 27 is National Prescription Drug Take Back Day



In 2010, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) founded National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, a nationwide event where police, fire and local officials promote safe, licensed collection sites for prescription and non-prescription medications.

Leftover medications in your medicine cabinet present a threat to family health, and **most doctors cannot legally dispose of YOUR medications.**

But here's what to do – visit:

takebackday.dea.gov

The DEA's Take Back Day website helps you locate safe, licensed disposal sites for medications year-round.

**Save Lives
and Prevent
Medication Abuse!**

Want to learn more?

Go to www.isms.org/Take-Back, the Illinois State Medical Society's online resource to help you, your patients and your loved ones identify safe medical disposal options in your community.



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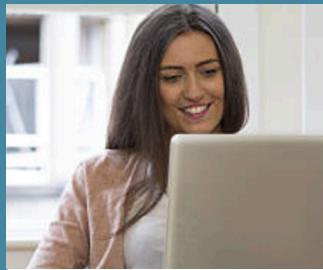
Safe Disposal of Medications is as Easy as 1-2-3!

It's time to clean out your medicine cabinet! The Illinois State Medical Society offers helpful resources to find the best ways to dispose of prescriptions and non-prescription medications in your community.



Step 1

Collect your unused prescription and over-the-counter medications.



Step 2

Identify your local safe disposal sites at www.isms.org/Take-Back.



Step 3

Drop off your unused medications at a designated disposal location!

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YOU Can Help Save Lives and Prevent Medication Abuse.

Visit www.isms.org/Take-Back to find educational materials and safe disposal sites and options near you.



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