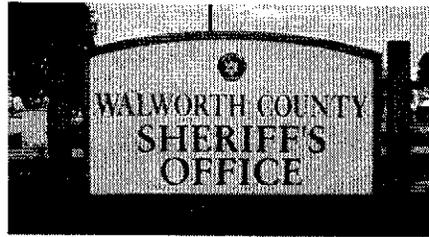


## What else can I do?

- Dispose of pharmaceuticals during community Drug Take Back events.
- Purchase drugs in small amounts, limiting your expired medications.
- Purchase medications or products with a low environmental impact.
- Do not give medications to friends. Drugs that work for you may be dangerous to someone else.
- Speak to your teen about the dangers of prescription and over-the-counter drug use.
- Take good care of yourself and practice preventive medicine to reduce your reliance on medications
- Do not dispose of your unused medications in the toilet.



## Drop Off Location:



### **Walworth County Sheriff's Office**

(Located in the lobby)

1770 County Road NN

Elkhorn, WI 53121

**Drop-box is open 24 hours,  
7 days a week. If after hours,  
please buzz in.**

### **For More Information, Contact:**

Walworth County Sheriff's Office  
1770 County Rd NN, Elkhorn, WI 53121  
(262) 741-4400

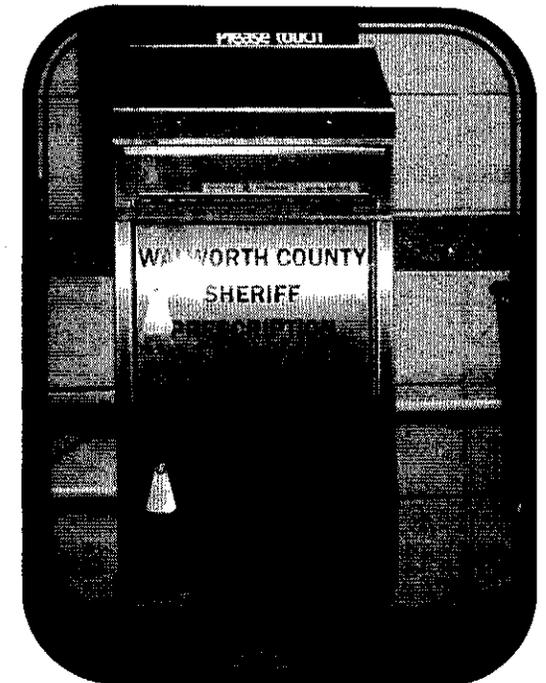
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Elkhorn, WI 53121  
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## **Medication Drop-Box Program**

Free, Local Disposal of  
Unused, Unwanted or  
Expired Medications



## Medication Disposal

### Safely, Easily, Properly

There is growing concern that medications flushed down the drain endanger the aquatic environment and wildlife.

Wastewater treatment plants are not designed to remove medications from wastewater.

Unused medications left in medicine cabinets and other areas around the home are also of concern.

According to the partnership for a Drug Free America:

- 6 out of 10 teens agree that prescription drugs are easy to get from parents' medicine cabinets.
- 4 out of 10 teens think that prescription drugs are safer to use than illegal drugs.



## How Does The Drop-Box Work?

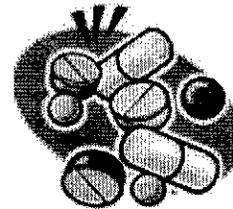
Place medication into a zip lock type bag and deposit into the Drop Box. Pill bottles should not be placed in the Drop Box. Blister packs are acceptable. Empty pill containers may be recycled or placed in the regular trash.



## Rules of the Drop-Box

### ACCEPTABLE

- ♦ **Prescription drugs (controlled and non-controlled)**
- ♦ **Over the counter medications**
- ♦ **Ointments and creams**
- ♦ **Patches**
- ♦ **Non-aerosol sprays**
- ♦ **Vials**
- ♦ **Pet medications**



### NOT ACCEPTABLE

- ♦ **Illegal drugs**
- ♦ **Needles/sharps**
- ♦ **Inhalers**
- ♦ **Mercury thermometers**
- ♦ **Aerosol cans**
- ♦ **Biohazardous material (containing body fluids or blood)**
- ♦ **Personal care products (shampoo, soaps, lotions, sunscreen, etc.)**

## Safe Storage & Safety Tips

1. Always store medications in the original containers
2. Never keep medications past their expiration date
3. Always store medications for each family member separately. This will make it less likely that you take the wrong ones by mistake.
4. Never guess on how much medicine to take. Extra medicine won't make you or your child feel better any faster.
5. Never let young children take medicine by themselves. Avoid calling medicine candy.

## This program aims to:

1. Stop the flushing of old medications down the drain
2. Reduce the risk of illegal use
3. Prevent unnecessary poisonings
4. Help protect the environment

**Got Drugs?**

