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.

900,000
Americans misuse prescription stimulants every month

25%
of teens report taking prescription medications from family without permission

4.9 million
people who misused opioids obtained them from a friend, relative or home medicine cabinet

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.

+ **Amana Society Pharmacy**
  507 39th Ave
  Amana, IA 52203
  319-622-3341

+ **Iowa County Sheriff's Office**
  960 Franklyn Ave
  Marengo, IA 52301
  319-642-7307

+ **Hartig Drug Co #27**
  517 Court St
  Williamsburg, IA 52361
  319-668-1520

+ **Cornerstone Pharmacy**
  1035 Court Ave
  Marengo, IA 52301
  319-741-6300

+ **Hy-Vee Pharmacy**
  205 Washington St
  Victor, IA 52347
  319-647-8292

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