

How to Properly Dispose of Prescription Drugs

Do not flush prescription drugs down the toilet or drain unless the label or accompanying patient information specifically instructs you to do so.

To dispose of prescription drugs not labeled to be flushed, you may be able to take advantage of the Pill Stoppers drop box locations at a law enforcement agency near you.

Where Can I find a Drop Box?



Catawba County
Sheriff's Office



Claremont



Conover



Hickory



Newton



Maiden

The Pill Stoppers in Partnership with local agencies and law enforcement will be holding several mobile events throughout the year.

Only Law Enforcement officers are able to pick up medication from local drop boxes and dispose of it safely. In Catawba County all disposed medicine will be incinerated at the Catawba County Animal Shelter.

Have a Question? Please contact:

Catawba County Sheriff's
Office Sgt. Kelly Eckard
100 B SW Blvd.
Newton, NC 28658
828-465-8336

OR

The Cognitive Connection
Prevention Department
Sarah Blanton
1109 2nd Ave. SW
Hickory, NC 28602
828-327-6026

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Foothill Coalition

Foothills Coalition Operation Pill Stoppers



**Don't Pop it!
Help Stop it!
Just Drop it!**



Our Mission

Protect our future and environment by providing a way to join the fight against drug abuse. To protect your family and pets against accidental ingestion and help keep our water clean and safe.

Our Current Goals

1. To inform our community about the nation's fastest growing drug problem among youth.
2. To provide a safe way to dispose of old or unused medications.

Have Questions? Need Answers?

Go to:

www.drugabuse.gov

www.clubdrugs.org

www.drugfree.org

National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence

www.ncadd.org

Office of National Drug Control Policy

www.WhiteHouseDrugPolicy.gov

Don't Be Blind See The Facts

More than 75% of all unintentional poisonings are by over-the-counter and prescription medications

Approximately 40% of injuries from unintentional poisoning occur in children under five years of age

1 in 5 teens has abused a prescription pain medicine

In the US 2,700 youth try non-prescribed drugs a day.

1.2 Million 12-17 die of prescription drug overdoses a year.

Teens think these drugs are safe because they have legitimate uses.

Make sure your kids and grandkids know that taking them without a prescription is just as dangerous and addictive as using street narcotics and illicit drugs.

Be Aware

- More than 70% of prescription drugs abusers say that they get the medications from friends or relatives for free or by theft
- Keeping unused medications creates a dangerous opportunity for accidental poisonings or illicit drug use

A BETTER CHOICE

- Lock up medications
- Check your medications regularly
- Clear the unused or unwanted medications out of your cabinets
- Medicine Drops will take your unwanted drugs and incinerate them in a safe and non-hazardous manner
- Drop off is anonymous, quick and easy

Foothills Coalition/Pill Stoppers

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