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)

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Hardin 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.

+ NuCara Pharmacy #6
722 Main St
Ackley, IA 50601
641-847-2585

+ Hardin County Sheriff's Office
1116 14th Ave
Eldora, IA 50627
641-939-8189

+ Medicap Pharmacy
1602 Edgington Ave
Eldora, IA 50627
641-858-3567

+ Clinic Pharmacy – Iowa Falls
920 S Oak St #2
Iowa Falls, IA 50126
641-648-3733

+ Corner Pharmacy
504 Rocksylvania Ave
Iowa Falls, IA 50126
641-648-5550

+ Hy-Vee Pharmacy
632 S Oak St
Iowa Falls, IA 50126
319-337-4279

+ Iowa Falls Police Department
321 Stevens St
Iowa Falls, IA 50126
641-646-6464