

North Dakota's Drug "Take Back" Program

Medications are a common type of poisoning for children in homes, whether intentional or unintentional. Safe Kids Grand Forks reminds parents, grandparents and care givers that unused medications in the home should be disposed of when they are no longer needed. The ND Attorney General has established a Drug Take Back Program in the state. Learn more about it and use this system as a way to get rid of unused medications (over-the-counter or prescription).



This information has been taken from the Grand Forks Police Department web site at:

<http://www.grandforksgov.com/home/showdocument?id=1871>

What do I do with unused prescription drugs?

The best disposal method is to drop off unused prescription drugs at the local Grand Forks Police Department (122 N. 5th Street). This can be done anytime of the day. If the main office is locked, please use the red phone on the exterior of the building to explain to the personnel what you would like to do. There is a drop box mounted on the wall of the Police Department main entrance. The State of North Dakota created a Take Back Program where citizens have a safe and simple method to dispose of unused prescription drugs. To learn more and find take back locations, log on to <http://www.ag.state.nd.us/>

An additional option is to bring unused and expired medications to pharmacies across North Dakota that are participants of **TakeAway**, North Dakota's medication disposal program. To learn more about what medications can be disposed of through **TakeAway** and to find a participating pharmacy near you, visit www.sharpsinc.com/locator.

If you need to dispose of unused prescription drugs and cannot bring them to the local Police Department or an area pharmacy, please do not flush them down the toilet. If you decide to dispose of them yourself, please remove the labels from the bottles and throw away the unused or expired medications separately from the labels. It is best to crush or destroy the medication before throwing it away.

