

# PROPER DISPOSAL OF PRESCRIPTION AND OVER-THE-COUNTER DRUGS FOR HOUSEHOLDS





to properly dispose of your medications for our community and environment.





### SAFETY TIPS FOR HANDLING MEDICATIONS:

- Take prescription drugs and over-the-counter medications exactly as prescribed.
- Do not share your prescription medications with anyone. It is illegal and unsafe.
- Lock all medications up or put them out of the way of anyone, including children or pets, who might try to consume them by accident or on purpose.
- Safely dispose of any unused medications at one of the Delaware prescription medication drop boxes. (Turn over for locations.)

### WHY DISPOSE OF MEDICATIONS AT DROP-BOX LOCATIONS?

#### Protect the environment:

Proper disposal of unwanted medication is important. Unused medicine flushed or rinsed down the sink can hurt you and the environment by becoming part of groundwater, which may end up in your drinking water.

### Protect your loved ones from the addiction epidemic:

- Drugs can also be stolen or used by friends or family. Abuse of prescription pain killers has increased over 400 percent since the year 2000.
- Almost two-thirds of people who abuse painkillers get their drugs for free from friends or relatives.
- Over half of teens say that they can easily obtain prescription drugs from their parents' medicine cabinets.

#### You can prevent accidental poisonings:

- Children and pets can find medicine in your home or trash.
- Medications may be taken by accident, on purpose, or illegally sold.

For more information on preventing, recognizing, and treating addiction, visit HelpIsHereDE.com.

# **MEDICATION COLLECTION SITES IN DELAWARE**



# STOP FLUSHING YOUR OLD MEDICATIONS!

Safely dispose of unused, expired, or unwanted medications at collection sites across Delaware. Visit DelawareHealthyHomes.org.

## NEW CASTLE COUNTY

Newark Police Dept. 220 S. Main St. Newark, DE 19711 302-366-7111

New Castle County Police Dept. 3601 N. DuPont Hwy. New Castle, DE 19720 302-573-2800

Wilmington Police Dept. 300 N. Walnut St. Wilmington, DE 19801 302-576-3670

**Walgreens** 1120 Pulaski Hwy. Bear, DE 19701 302-832-2300

Walgreens 6317 Limestone Road Hockessin, DE 19707 302-234-5440

Walgreens 2119 Concord Pike Wilmington, DE 19803 302-656-4333



### **KENT COUNTY**

**Dover Police Dept.** 400 S. Queen St. Dover, DE 19904 302-736-7111

**Smyrna Police Dept.** 325 W. Glenwood Ave. Smyrna, DE 19977 302-653-9217

**Felton Police Dept.** 24 E. Sewell St. Felton, DE 19943 302-284-8441

**Camden Police Dept.** 1783 Friends Way Camden, DE 19934 302-698-9232

Harrington Police Dept. 20 Mechanic St. Harrington, DE 19952 302-398-4493

**Milford Police Dept.** 400 NE Front St. Milford, DE 19963 302-422-8081

Walgreens 1001 Forrest Ave. Dover, DE 19904 302-678-9820

### SUSSEX COUNTY

Selbyville Police Dept. 68 W. Church St. Selbyville, DE 19975 302-436-5085

**Greenwood Police Dept.** 100 W. Market St. Greenwood, DE 19950 302-349-4822

Ocean View Police Dept. 201 Central Ave. Ocean View, DE 19970 302-539-1111

Georgetown Police Dept. 335 N. Race St. Georgetown, DE 19947 302-856-6613

Laurel Police Dept. 205 Mechanic St. Laurel, DE 19956 302-875-2244

Delmar Police Dept. 400 S. Pennsylvania Ave. Delmar, MD 21875 302-846-2320

Walgreens 17239 Five Points Square Lewes, DE 19958 302-644-7840

Walgreens 22898 Sussex Hwy. Seaford, DE 19973 302-628-6100





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