


Protect Your Prescription Medications from Damage, Loss, and Theft

- Keep medications in a safe, locked place to keep them away from children, pets, visitors, and family.
- Always store medications in the original labeled container.
- When traveling, carry the current prescription in the pharmacy labeled bottle.
- Monitor the quantity of your medications by keeping count of what has been used.
- Set clear rules. Talk with your children about the dangers of prescription drug abuse. Prescription drugs can be just as dangerous and lethal as street drugs.
- If you are concerned about the safety of storing medicines in your home, tell your provider so you can talk about how to handle this problem.
- Remove drugs from your medicine cabinet that are no longer being used. Properly dispose of them.

Safe Disposal of Your Prescription Medications



Old and unused medication in your home poses a risk for accidental poisoning, theft, and drug abuse. Unsecured opioid medication provides easy access by people you'd least expect to go through your bathroom cabinet and take your prescriptions. Studies have shown that people who abuse prescription drugs often take them from family and friends.



Opioid medications can be deadly if they are taken by someone other than the person prescribed the medication.

Do not flush medications down the toilet, they can pollute water and endanger others.

Check out the medication take-back program on the back side of this document to find a safe disposal site.

Member Services 1-866-567-7242 ♦ TTY 1-800-627-3529 or 711

Hours of Service: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday -Friday

Visit our website: www.mnscha.org

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Medication take-back programs:

There are over 240 prescription medication collection boxes located at law enforcement facilities and pharmacies throughout Minnesota.

To find the nearest take-back box:

- look in chart below
- call local law enforcement officials
- check with your local pharmacist
- call Member Services at the number on the back of your id card.
- visit our website: <https://www.mnscha.org/members/behavioral-health/>
- visit FDA website: <https://www.fda.gov/consumers/consumer-updates/where-and-how-dispose-unused-medicines>

County	Name	Address	Phone
Brown	Allina Health New Ulm Pharmacy	1217 8th St N Ste 1010, New Ulm, MN 56073	507-217-5808
Brown	New Ulm Police	15 S Washington St, New Ulm, MN 56073	507-233-6720
Dodge	Dodge County Sheriff	22 6th St E Ste 201, Mantorville, MN 55955	507-635-6200
Dodge	Kasson Police	401 5 St SE, Kasson, MN 55944	507-634-3881
Goodhue	Cannon Falls Police	918 River Rd, Cannon Falls, MN 55009	507-263-2278
Goodhue	Goodhue County Sheriff	250 Main St, Pine Island, MN 55963	651-267-2656
Goodhue	Zumbrota Police	50 2nd St W, Zumbrota, MN 55992	507-732-5219
Sibley	Sibley County Sheriff	419 Harrison St, Gaylord, MN 55334	507-237-4330
Steele	Allina Health Owatonna Pharmacy	2250 26 th St NW, Owatonna, MN 55060	507-977-2020
Steele	Blooming Prairie Police	138 Highway 218 S, Blooming Prairie, MN 55917	507-583-7885
Steele	Steele Law Enforcement Center	204 E Pearl St, Owatonna, MN 55060	507-444-3864
Steele	Walmart #982	1130 W Frontage Rd, Owatonna, MN 55060	651-602-7523
Wabasha	Wabasha County Sheriff	848 17th St E Ste 1, Wabasha, MN 55981	651-565-3361
Waseca	Thrifty White Pharmacy #727	223 State St N, Waseca, MN 56093	507-835-1610

Other Resources:

<https://www.hhs.gov/opioids/prevention/safely-dispose-drugs/index.html>