Proper Disposal of Prescription and Over the Counter Drugs

Additional Information

All locations have a steel, locked, mounted box in their lobby.

Prescriptions can be dropped off anonymously. No identification is required.

Bins are emptied by law enforcement and burned. Confidentiality of all participants is ensured.

All prescription drugs must be in a container or sealed bag.

NOT ALLOWED: Syringes, inhalers, thermometers, lotions and liquids, or hazardous materials are not allowed.

Tooele County Drop Box Locations

Tooele City Police Department
323 N Main
Tooele, UT 84074

Tooele County Building
47 S Main
Tooele, UT 84074

Tooele County Health Department
151 N Main
Tooele, UT 84074

Valley Behavioral Health
100 S 1000 W
Tooele, UT 84074

University of Utah
Stansbury Clinic
220 Millpond Road
Stansbury Park, UT 84074

Grantsville Police Department
429 E Main
Grantsville, UT 84029

Wendover City Offices
920 E Wendover Blvd
Wendover, UT 84083

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Storing

Storing unused or outdated prescriptions creates a dangerous opportunity for illicit drug use.

Often teens or adults will "raid" their friend or family members medicine cabinet to get drugs.

Teens and adults will often trade stolen or bartered drugs at school, work or other places.

Burglars routinely break in to homes to search for and steal drugs.

Don't Flush or Dissolve

Flushing drugs down the toilet or dissolving them by running water down the drain, is dangerous for humans, animals, and the environment.

Sometimes corrosion can occur to indoor plumbing as a result of flushing/dissolving drugs.

Drugs are not removed in sewage treatment facilities and septic tank systems. Instead, they enter the soil, surface water, and groundwater, polluting the water supply.

Safe Disposal

Animals, adults, and children are often poisoned by drugs they find in the trash or on the ground or are scavenged and illegally used or sold.

The best thing to do with drugs is drop them off at a drop box. If you are unable to get to a box the next best thing to do is dispose of them properly in the trash.

To do this, remove the pills from the bottle. Toss the bottle in the trash. Mix the pills with an undesirable substance, such as cat litter, and dispose of it in the trash the same day trash is collected.