Using DisposeRx to Get Rid of Unused Opioid Medicines

What are opioid medicines?

Opioids are a type of medicine mostly used to treat pain. They are highly addictive and have a high risk for overdose. Common prescription opioids include:

- hydrocodone/acetaminophen (Norco, Vicodin)
- oxycodone (OxyContin, Percocet)
- oxymorphone (Opana)
- morphine (MS Contin, Kadian)
- codeine.

Why should I get rid of unused opioids?

- Children and pets can take them accidentally, with potentially fatal results.
- Anyone can have an accidental overdose, again with potentially fatal results.
- Too many medicine bottles can be confusing.
- Teens and adults may misuse the medicine because they think it's a safe way to get high.
- Nearly half of drug misuse cases begin with a family member's or friend's prescription.

What is DisposeRx?

DisposeRx is an easy way to get rid of leftover opioids. It allows you to dispose of the medicine in a safe and environmentally friendly way.



How do I use DisposeRx?

For pills, tablets, and capsules

- 1. Add warm tap water to the medicine bottle with the pills inside until the bottle is 2/3 full.
- 2. Empty the contents of the DisposeRx packet into the bottle.
- 3. Put the cap on the bottle and shake for 30 seconds.
- 4. Throw the bottle in the trash.

For liquid medicines

Add 1 DisposeRx packet, close the bottle, and shake for 30 seconds. Throw the bottle in the trash.

For more information

Watch a short video on DisposeRx by scanning the QR code on the right.

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