

Safe Medicine Disposal



Check all storage spaces for unused and expired medicine. Expiration dates are found on your medicine bottle or card.

Getting rid of unused medicine will help you:

- ▶ Avoid taking the wrong medicine or the wrong dose.
- ▶ Prevent unintended use of medicine, including pain medicines like opioids.
- ▶ Lower the risk of poisoning kids and pets.



Do not share your medicine with others.



Learn how to dispose of unwanted or expired medicine.

- ▶ View the phone numbers and websites on the back of this card.
- ▶ Contact the Rhode Island Department of Health (RIDOH) for more information.
- ▶ Find a disposal site near you. Site locations are available on the RIDOH website.
- ▶ Ask your doctor or pharmacist how to properly dispose of unwanted or expired medicine. You can find the telephone number on your medicine bottle or card.

For More Information on Medicine Disposal

Rhode Island Department of Health (RIDOH)
Safe Medicine Disposal



health.ri.gov/healthrisks/householdmedicalwaste

401-222-5960

Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation
Unwanted Medication



atoz.rirrc.org/items/medications

401-942-1430

For More Information on Pain Medicines

NOPE-RI
Naloxone and Overdose Prevention
Education of Rhode Island



noperi.org/drugdisposal.html

Prevent Overdose RI



preventoverdoseRI.org

401-942-STOP (401-942-7867)



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