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NATIONAL TAKE-BACK INITIATIVE

Upcoming Take-Back Day — April 27, 2013 (10:00AM - 2:00PM)

Locate Collection Site Near You

Drug Disposal > National Take-Back Initiative

Collection site locations are now available. Check back often; sites are added daily. Please contact the Call Center at 1-800-882-9539 if you require assistance.

Partnership Toolbox

Download posters, handouts and other materials to promote National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day.

Law Enforcement Agencies Only

For law enforcement agencies that wish to host a collection site please call the POC in your area.

News Releases

DEA's Fifth National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day Results in Another Big Haul (October 4, 2012)

Fourth National Prescription Drug Take-Back Event Collects Record 276 Tons (May 3, 2012)

DEA's Third National Prescription Drug Take-Back Event Collects 188.5 Tons (November 3, 2011)

Another Huge Turnout At DEA's National Prescription Drug Take-Back Event (May 06, 2011)

American Public Overwhelmingly Responds to DEA Prescription Drug Take-Back Effort (October 5, 2010)

Additional Resources

Disposal of Controlled Substances - Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

Drug Disposal Information

FDA - How to Dispose of Unused Medicines

FDA - Disposal of Unused Medicines

The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) has scheduled another National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day which will take place on Saturday, April 27, 2013, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity for those who missed the previous events, or who have subsequently accumulated unwanted, unused prescription drugs, to safely dispose of those medications.

In the five previous Take-Back events, DEA in conjunction with our state, local, and tribal law enforcement partners have collected more than 2 million pounds (1,018 tons) of prescription medications were removed