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Spring Drug Take Back Day

[Florence, WI] –

Your unused or expired prescription drugs could end up lost, stolen or simply misused and should never be flushed or poured down the drain. Florence County residents are encouraged to bring their unused prescription medications or expired over the counter drugs, syringes, and sharps for safe disposal. Also accepted are vapes and cartridges as long as the batteries are removed. All items will be collected for free. Syringes/sharps are usually over three dollars per pound when brought into the health department, so take advantage of this free event! In 2021, Wisconsin collected over 116,000 pounds! Join us April 30th from 10am until noon at the Florence County Courthouse to safely dispose of your prescription medications!

Drug take back events are not the only way to dispose of your medications for free. Florence County has three permanent prescription drug drop boxes that accept over the counter and prescription medication anonymously 24 hours per day (no sharps please!). They're located at the Florence County Sheriff's Office, Florence Prescription Services, and outside the main entrance at NWTC in Aurora. Florence County Health Department also offers free lock boxes to Florence County residents to safely lock up medications at home or when traveling. Visit the health department to obtain your free lock box.

For more information, contact the Florence County Sheriff's Office at 715-528-3346 or the Health Department at 715-528-4837, located in the Courthouse at 501 Lake Avenue or visit our website at <https://florencewipublichealth.com/index.htm>.

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