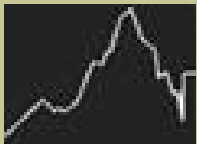


National Drug Take Back Day Initiative

Prescription drug abuse is the fastest growing category of drug abuse in the United States today. The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) released a report earlier this summer reporting a 400% increase in substance abuse treatment admissions for prescription pain relievers from 1998-2008. The National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH) reported for the 3rd year in a row that prescription drugs are the 2nd most abused drug category behind only marijuana. Additionally, the survey indicates that medicine cabinets are where most youth ages 12-18 obtain the prescription drugs that they abuse.



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GOT DRUGS? Turn in your unused or expired medication for safe disposal September 25, 2010

On September 25, 2010, The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will coordinate a collaborative effort with state and local law enforcement agencies to remove potentially dangerous controlled substances from our nation's medicine cabinets. Collection activities will take place from 10:00 a.m. through 2:00 p.m. at sites established throughout Virginia and the country. The National Take-Back Day provides an opportunity for the public to surrender expired, unwanted, or unused pharmaceutical controlled substances and other medications for destruction.

For more information about this initiative and to determine the closest collection site to your location please go to:

www.dea diversion.usdoj.gov/takeback/index.html