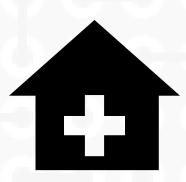
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We can help. Visit leftovermeds.com Or call 1-800-222-1222

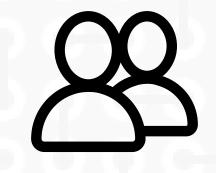
The Nebraska MEDS Coalition educates Nebraskans about drug disposal and provides safe disposal options to better safeguard the environment and protect public health.



311 pharmacies across Nebraska collecting unwanted medications



112,476 pounds of medication collected in Nebraska thus far (January 2016 - November 2019)



Diverse agencies and organizations working together to take back medications

THE ISSUE

Trace amounts of prescription drugs have been found in 80% of U.S. waterways. (USGS)

Waterways included in the USGS study included 7 Nebraska streams and groundwater.

What's in the water?

CAUSES & EFFECTS

Improper disposal, including flushing unwanted medications down toilets and drains.

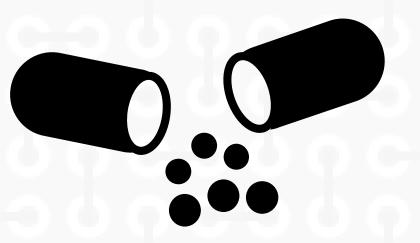


Possible effects on wildlife, drinking water supplies, and human health.

Why?

THE SOLUTION

Return unwanted medications to participating pharmacies for proper disposal.



Help keep medications out of water supplies and helps prevent abuse and accidental ingestion.

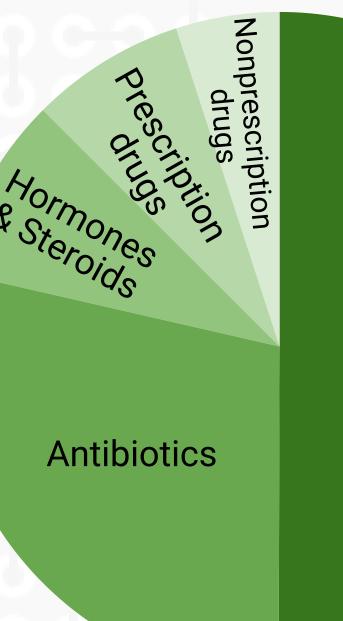
What Can I Do?

2002 USGS Study

Household

& Industrial

Products





Around 70,000 youth are seen in ERs each year due to accidental medication overdose.



Approximately 55% of the calls to the Nebraska Regional Poison Control Center involve medications.



56% of drug misuse/abuse ER visits are related to pharmaceuticals.



Approximately 59% of deaths related to drug overdoses were from prescription drugs.





DO take medications to a pharmacy or other approved collection center for disposal.

DO keep medications away from children.

DON'T flush unwanted or expired medications down toilets or drains.

DON'T toss old medications in the trash.

Find a participating pharmacy near you at: www.leftovermeds.com

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