

SECURE: Lock up medications in a secure location and control access.



**LOCK
YOUR
MEDS.**

YOU ARE THE KEY

DO NOT KEEP MEDICATIONS in medicine cabinets readily accessible to guests, visitors, and youth in your home.



Everyday 2,500 youth age 12 to 17 abuse a pain reliever for the very first time.

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Drop Off Location:

Ashtabula County Sheriff's Office

**25 West Jefferson St.
Jefferson, Ohio 44047**

Drop box is located in the Sheriff's Office Lobby

**Hours: M-F 8:00am-4:30pm,
excludes weekends and holidays**

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Why should we properly dispose of unused, unneeded, or expired medicine properly?

Environmental Pollution:

Studies have found prescription drugs in drinking water and natural waterways.



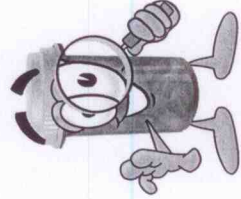
Safe Household:

Proper disposal helps ensure that children and pets avoid accidental poisoning.

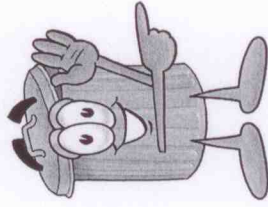


Prescription Drug Abuse:

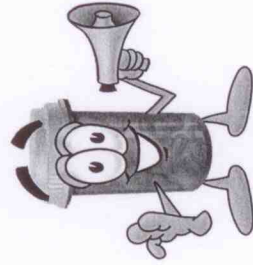
Proper and timely disposal of prescriptions drugs reduces the likelihood of abuse by family, friends, or visitors.



•**MONITOR:** Take inventory of all prescription and over-the-counter drugs in your home and keep track of refills.



•**DISPOSE:** Remove any personal, identifiable information from the prescription bottles before discarding. Do not flush medications down the drain or toilet. Crush medications and mix with undesirable substance (coffee grounds, kitty litter, etc.) and dispose in trash or at a community drug take back program.



•**INFORM:** Ask friends and family (especially Grandparents) to safeguard their prescription drugs as well.