

How to Dispose of Medicines Properly

DON'T: Flush expired or unwanted prescription and over-the-counter drugs down the toilet or drain unless the label or accompanying patient information specifically instructs you to do so.

Do: USE HOUSEHOLD DISPOSAL STEPS if Drop Box or DEA isn't available.

1. Take your prescription drugs out of their original containers
2. Mix drugs with an undesirable substance, such as cat litter or used coffee grounds.
3. Put the mixture into a disposable container with a lid or into a sealable bag.
4. Remove any personal information, including Rx number, on the empty containers by covering it with permanent marker or by scratching it off.
5. The sealed container with the drug mixture, and the empty drug containers, can now be placed in the trash.

