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What family members need to know

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Secure-It is important to keep all medication in a secure location until proper disposal.

- Do not leave medicine in the medicine cabinet; this is the easiest place for individuals to acquire drugs
- An area that is not accessible to children or visitors
- A lock box or locked filing cabinet

Disposal-It is no longer acceptable to flush or throw away medication.

- Proper disposal removes the medication from your home in a safe way so that others don't have access to it
- Studies show measurable amounts of medications have been found in drinking water and wildlife due to flushing or throwing them away
- Medication strength changes over time and medications are typically not safe after one year

Use your local disposal drop off sites

No Sharing: It is illegal to share prescription medication, even with a family member.

- The medication was specifically prescribed for an individual
- You do not know how the drug may affect others physically or emotionally
- It is a **criminal offense to share prescriptions**

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- **North Fond du Lac Police Department**—use drop box located inside of the police department at 16 Garfield St. (Open Monday-Friday, 8:00am—4:30 pm) Phone: 920-929-3760
- **Campbellsport Police Department**—use drop box located inside the lobby of the Village Hall at 177 E. Main St. (Open Monday-Friday, 7:30am—4:30pm) Phone: 920-533-5391
- **Ripon Police Department**—use drop box located inside the main entrance at 100 E. Jackson St. (Open 24 hours/7days a week) Phone: 920-748-2888
- **Waupun Police Department**—use drop box located in the lobby at 16 E. Main St. (Open Monday-Friday, 8:00am-4:00pm) Phone: 920-324-7903
- **Village of Oakfield**-use drop box located in the lobby of the Village Office at 130 N. Main St. (Open Monday/Wednesday/Friday, 8:00am-7:00pm and Tuesday/Thursday, 8:00am-4:00pm) Managed by the Oakfield Police Department-Phone: 920-517-1570

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