


Dear Parents and Guardians:

As parents and guardians, we need to educate ourselves and others who care for our children about prescription medication safety. Accidental medication poisoning may cause great risk to children. For the health and safety of your children it is important to inform others who care for your child (**daycare, in home babysitters, grandparents, etc.**) of the potential dangers of their medications.

DID YOU KNOW:

SECURITY! Keep all medications (prescription and over-the-counter) in a locked and protected area; out of sight and reach of children and visitors. Don't call medicine or vitamins "**candy.**" Use child resistant closures on medicine and other products. Know the Poison Control Center #: 1-800-222-1222. They are available 24 hrs., 7 days a week.

IT IS ILLEGAL & DANGEROUS TO SHARE PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION, even with family members.



PROPER DISPOSAL! Periodically go through your medications. Remove prescription medications that are old, expired, or you no longer take. Do not flush or throw away your medications! Utilize your community drug drop disposal site for safe removal of medication from your home.

FOND DU LAC COUNTY HAS 13 DRUG DROP LOCATIONS open throughout the year for disposal of no longer needed medications. Click on this link for locations and hours of operation: [Drug Take Back Boxes](#)

Zip through your medicine cabinet. Then zip off to your local drug drop box and empty your pill bottles into a zip-lock type bag and place in the box. Recycle the empty bottles at home.

Help keep your children and home safe and reduce the availability of prescription medication for misuse by removing and properly disposing of your old and expired medications! The Fond du Lac County Drug Take Back Campaign begins April 15 through April 26, 2019.

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