Choices in Proper Prescription Disposal

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Community Opportunity

• Current Disposal Culture

• Current Disposal Options

- Effects of improper disposal
 - Waterways
 - Animals
 - Children



Community Solution

- Safe and Accessible Drop Box
- Empowered Culture (why)
- Informed Population (how)
- Networking between medical industry





In the Now....

- Safe and Accessible Drop Box
- Hospital Support: KCH
- Pharmacy Support : Kroger









In the Future....

- Teamwork of network associations
- Sign by KC Recycling
- Window Clings
- Brochures
- Flyer
- Radio Ads
- Video to post as a PSA
 - Pharmacies
 - KCH Live Well Newsletter
 - Kosciusko Lakes and Streams





UNWANTED MEDICATION DISPOSAL PROGRAM

BACKGROUND & DANGERS

Flushing unwanted or expired medication down the drain and throwing it in the trash introduces these drugs into the environment. Wastewater treatment facilities are not designed to remove pharmaceutical chemicals resulting in discharges into local streams and lakes. While the full effects of these waste chemicals has yet to be determined, studies show reproductive and developmental problems in fish and other aquatic wildlife living downstream of some wastewater treatment facilities.

Protect your family, yourself and the environment by properly disposing of unwanted and expired medication.

In addition to environmental concerns, ur wanted and expired medication can pose threats to human health. Pets and children can be poisoned from accidental ingestion of medicines thrown away in the trash. Some types of medication can be targeted by criminals increasing the danger of illegal use and theft. Protect your family, yourself and the environment by properly disposing of unwanted and expired medication. Allen County residents can particpate in the program in two ways.

UNWANTED MEDICATION COLLECTION DAYS

Held on the fourth Friday in April and September, visit participating Walgreen's stores to properly dispose of your unwanted medication. To find out the date of this year's collection days visit www.volunteerfortwayne.org or call the Allen County TRIAD at 424-3505.

PERMANENT UNWANTED MEDICATION DROP-OFF SITES (only pills accepted)

NORTHWEST

Allen County Sheriff's Department 12535 Lima Road Hours: 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

CENTRAL

Fort Wayne Police Department

Phone: 449-7440

1320 East Creighton Street Hours: Open 24/7 in the Lobby Phone: 427-1222

SOUTHWEST Indiana State Police Post

5811 Ellison Road Hours: Open 24/7 in the Lobby Phone: 432-8661

EAST

New Haven Police Department

815 Lincoln Highway East Hours: Open 24/7 in the Lobby Phone: 748-7080

Proposal for Sustainability

- Kosciusko County Sheriff's
 Department
- •KCH livewell brochure
- •Cities /Towns
- •Winona Lake Preservation Board
- •Tippecanoe Watershed Foundation



• • Hand of Gratitude....

- Sue Studebaker, KC Recycling
- Sergeant Chad D. Hill and The Kosciusko County Sheriff's Department
- Ron Robinson, Kosciusko County Administrator
- K-CODE
- Nathan Bosch, PhD., Kosciusko County Lakes and Streams
- Joy Lohse, KCH
- Prof. Allyn Decker, KLA Moderator
- Kosciusko Chamber of Commerce

