Misuse of and addiction to prescription drugs is at a crisis level in the United States. The 2017 National Survey on Drug Use and Health reported that in 2016, for the first time:
- About 2 million Americans misused prescription pain relievers.
- More than a million people misused prescription stimulants.
- 1.5 million misused tranquilizers, and 271,000 misused sedatives.

Young people are at risk
Among people 18 to 25 years old, 14.4 percent reported non-medical use of prescription drugs in the past year. Among youth 12 to 17 years old, 4.9 percent reported non-medical use of prescription medications.

Guidelines
- Bring medicines in their original containers
- No ID required
- Free

Proper disposal is important
- Prescription drug abuse is a growing problem, especially among teens.
- Accidental poisonings from medicines are also on the rise.
- Medicines flushed down the drain or disposed of in the trash can contaminate water, harm wildlife and pollute drinking water.

Get rid of your unwanted medicines
hennepin.us/medicine

Not accepted
- No illegal drugs (Schedule I)
- No needles, sharps or syringes
- No medicines from businesses
- No batteries, trash, medical devices, mercury thermometers or other hazardous materials
- No cosmetics and personal care products

Accepted
- Medicine from households will be accepted, including:
  - Prescription medicines including Schedule II-V controlled substances (such as Vicodin, Percocet and Ritalin)
  - Over-the-counter medicines
  - Pet medicines

Store medicines safely at home
Misuse of and addiction to prescription drugs is a growing problem, especially among teens. The 2017 National Survey on Drug Use and Health reported that in 2016, for the first time:
- About 2 million Americans misused prescription pain relievers.
- More than a million people misused prescription stimulants.
- 1.5 million misused tranquilizers, and 271,000 misused sedatives.

Keep them safe
Securely store medications that you need regularly. Keep them out of sight and out of reach of others, including children, family, friends and visitors.
Consider investing in a lock box, or install a lock on a cabinet for medicine storage.
Keep medications in their original containers.
- Do not save or share unused medications.
- Dispose of unused medications at a medicine drop box.

Learn more about safe storage at hennepin.us/safestorage

Misuse of and addiction to prescription drugs is a growing problem, especially among teens. The 2017 National Survey on Drug Use and Health reported that in 2016, for the first time:
- About 2 million Americans misused prescription pain relievers.
- More than a million people misused prescription stimulants.
- 1.5 million misused tranquilizers, and 271,000 misused sedatives.

Keep them safe
Securely store medications that you need regularly. Keep them out of sight and out of reach of others, including children, family, friends and visitors.
Consider investing in a lock box, or install a lock on a cabinet for medicine storage.
Keep medications in their original containers.
- Do not save or share unused medications.
- Dispose of unused medications at a medicine drop box.

Learn more about safe storage at hennepin.us/safestorage

Misuse of and addiction to prescription drugs is a growing problem, especially among teens. The 2017 National Survey on Drug Use and Health reported that in 2016, for the first time:
- About 2 million Americans misused prescription pain relievers.
- More than a million people misused prescription stimulants.
- 1.5 million misused tranquilizers, and 271,000 misused sedatives.

Keep them safe
Securely store medications that you need regularly. Keep them out of sight and out of reach of others, including children, family, friends and visitors.
Consider investing in a lock box, or install a lock on a cabinet for medicine storage.
Keep medications in their original containers.
- Do not save or share unused medications.
- Dispose of unused medications at a medicine drop box.

Learn more about safe storage at hennepin.us/safestorage
Medicine drop box locations

Bloomington
- HealthPartners Bloomington Clinic
  8600 Nicollet Ave S
  Learn more: healthpartners.com/hp/pharmacy/
  medicine-disposal
- Walgreens store
  6975 York Ave S
  Learn more: walgreens.com/topic/pharmacy/
  safe-medication-disposal.jsp

Golden Valley
- Golden Valley Police Department
  7800 Golden Valley Rd.
  Hours: 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week

Brooklyn Center
- Brooklyn Center Police Department
  6645 Humboldt Ave N.
  Hours: 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week
- HealthPartners clinic in the pharmacy
  6865 Lwe Ave N.
  Learn more: healthpartners.com/hp/pharmacy/
  medicine-disposal
- Hennepin County
  Service Center Brookdale
  6125 Shingle Creek Pkwy
  Hours: Mon-Thurs 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
  Fri & Sat 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
  Sun Noon - 5 p.m.

Brooklyn Park
- Hennepin County Sheriff’s
  Patiol Headquarters
  9401 83rd Ave N.
  Hours: Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Brooklyn Park – Police Department
  5400 85th Ave N.
  Brooklyn Park, MN 55443
  Hours: 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week
- Walgreens store
  7700 Brooklyn Blvd
  Hours: Mon-Thurs 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.
  Fri & Sat 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
  Sun Noon - 6 p.m.
  key
- Eden Prairie
  Walgreens store
  16395 Wagner Way
  Learn more: walgreens.com/topic/pharmacy/
  safe-medication-disposal.jsp

Edina
- Walgreens store
  6975 York Ave S
  Learn more: walgreens.com/topic/pharmacy/
  safe-medication-disposal.jsp
- Golden Valley
  Golden Valley Police Department
  7800 Golden Valley Rd.
  Hours: 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week

Hopkins
- Walgreens store
  540 Blake Rd N.
  Learn more: walgreens.com/topic/pharmacy/
  safe-medication-disposal.jsp

Maple Grove
- Maple Grove Police Department
  12900 Arbor Lakes Parkway N.
  Hours: 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week
- North Memorial Health Pharmacy
  9825 Hospital Dr.
  Learn more: northmemorial.com/specialty/
  pharmacy

Minneapolis
- 1st Precinct Police
  19 N 4th St.
  Hours: 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week
- 4th precinct
  1925 Plymouth Ave N.
  Hours: 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week
- Minneapolis
  Allina Health Heart Hospital
  913 East 26th Street
  1st Floor Piper Building
  Learn more: allinahealth.org/medical-services/
  pharmacies/Pharmacy-locations
- North Memorial
  University of Minnesota
  410 Church St SE, N300
  Learn more: https://boytong.umn.edu/
  pharmacy
- CVS store
  949 Portland Ave S.
  Hours: Mon-Thurs 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
  Fri & Sat 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
  Sun Noon - 6 p.m.
- HealthPartners Riverside
  2220 Riverside Ave
  Learn more: healthpartners.com/hp/pharmacy/
  medicine-disposal
- Hennepin County
  Public Safety Facility
  401 4th Ave. S.
  Hours: 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week
- Hennepin Healthcare
  Community Pharmacy, 1st floor
  715 S. 8th St.
  Hours: Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
  Sat & Sun 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Minnetonka
- Hennepin County
  Service Center Ridgedale
  12617 Ridgedale Drive
  Hours: Mon-Thurs 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
  Fri & Sat 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
  Sun Noon - 5 p.m.

Osseo
- Osseo Police Department
  415 Central Ave.
  Hours: Mon-Thurs 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
  Fri 7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Plymouth
- Allina Health West Health Pharmacy
  Main lobby of Abbott Northwestern – WestHealth
  2855 Campus Drive
  Learn more: allinahealth.org/medical-services/
  pharmacies/Pharmacy-locations

Richfield
- Hennepin Healthcare
  Richfield Clinic and Pharmacy
  Located in Market Plaza
  790 W. 66th St.
  Hours: Mon, Wed, Thurs 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
  Fri 7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
  Sat 8:30 a.m. - Noon

Robbinsdale
- North Memorial Health Pharmacy
  3300 Oakdale Ave N.
  Learn more: northmemorial.com/specialty/
  pharmacy

Wayzata
- Park Nicollet Wayzata Clinic
  in the pharmacy
  250 Central Ave. N. Suite #103, #220 & #228
  Learn more: healthpartners.com/hp/pharmacy/
  medicine-disposal

As this program continues to expand, check hennepin.us/medicine for the most current list of drop boxes.