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The National Take Back Initiative, sponsored by the US Drug Enforcement Agency and in partnership with Safe Kids North Carolina, is sponsoring a prescription drug take-back event on Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 10:00AM–2:00PM. All law enforcement agencies are encouraged to host a take-back event. Agencies are requested to package all medications in collection boxes that are provided by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. Cardboard boxes (sturdy) are also allowed. Please do not bring collected medications in trash bags to your local SBI office the day of incineration.

How do you hold a OMD take-back event?

- Click on <u>register your agency</u> and follow the directions to register your law enforcement agency. A password will be emailed to you at the email address provided in the system. Your username will be your e-mail address.
- Enter your individual event(s) information to specify the location, date, and time of your event(s). If you've forgotten your password, click on <u>forgot password</u>. You will receive an email with instructions. The application is now available and you can begin registering your events.
- U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration Collection Boxes may be obtained from Safe Kids NC Raleigh office between 9:00am - 3:00pm Monday - Friday. New office location: 325 N. Salisbury Street Raleigh, NC 27603; 919-647-0080. Agencies west of Durham may obtain boxes from the DEA Diversion Office: 336-547-4219 or 336-856-4858.

How do you record drugs you taken back?

• Ask for help! We encourage you to invite a pharmacist or pharmacy technician to assist. He/she is familiar with counting and identifying drugs. Ask your local Safe Kids coalition for assistance. Visit <u>www.safekidsnc.org</u> for a list of local coalitions.

Quick Tip! To make the reporting process easier, you can prepare a box for controlled substances, prescription drugs, over the counter drugs, unknown drugs and veterinary medications. Weigh each box separately to get the total weight for each category. Multiply the weight by 750 which will give you the total number of pills to enter for each category listed on the NCDOI/Safe Kids database. Please remember to remove pills from bottles before weighing your boxes.

We've held our event, what next?

Submit your take-back totals to Safe Kids NC online: <u>https://apps.ncdoi.net/f?p=101:LOGIN</u>

**SBI will collect medications**! On Monday, October 29, 2018 from 9:00AM–1:00PM, take all collected medication to your local SBI field office to be destroyed at no cost.

