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Drug Take Back Day to be Held on Saturday, Oct. 25

(Oct. 22, 2025) — Regional and municipal prevention task force coalitions will work with local police departments this Saturday to encourage Rhode Islanders to turn in expired and unused medications.

The effort is part of National Prescription Drug Take Back Day — held twice a year to provide an easy way to dispose of unused and expired prescription and over-the-counter medications and educate people about the dangers of misusing them.

The event will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., with more than [50 sites](#) accepting unused medications, no questions asked.

“We encourage Rhode Island residents to take advantage of Drug Take Back Day by turning in expired and unused medications at one of the designated sites,” said Richard Leclerc, Director of the Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities & Hospitals. “With so many locations available, it is easy to participate. More importantly, it helps to protect family and friends, by making sure that these medications do not harm others.”

During the most recent Drug Take Back Day, held in April, Rhode Islanders disposed of more than 3,700 pounds of expired or unused medications.

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