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PRESS RELEASE

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Narrative

The Walworth County Sheriff's Office, in cooperation with the Wisconsin Department of Justice, will coordinate a Prescription Drug Take Back initiative on April 30th 2016 from 9:00AM to 11:00AM at four locations: Walworth County Sheriff's Office and three Sheriff's sub-stations:

Walworth County Sheriff's Office, 1770 County Road NN, Elkhorn, WI
Lyons Town Hall, 6339 Hospital Road, Lyons, WI
Walworth Town Hall, W6741 Brick Church Road, Walworth, WI
Troy Town Hall, N8870 Briggs Street, East Troy, WI
Additional Law Enforcement drop off sites may be found on the Wisconsin DOJ website

Unused or expired medicine should never be flushed or poured down the drain. Water reclamation facilities are not designed to remove all of them and trace amounts of pharmaceuticals are showing up in rivers and lakes around the world.

GUIDELINES:

All waste pharmaceuticals must be generated by a household – **no businesses are allowed.**

Bring: Prescription (controlled and non-controlled) and over-the-counter medications, ointments, patches, non-aerosol sprays, creams, vials and pet medications.

Do Not Bring: Illegal drugs, needles/sharps, inhalers, aerosol cans, bio-hazardous materials (anything containing a bodily fluid or blood), personal care products (shampoo, soaps, lotions, sunscreens), household hazardous waste (paint, pesticides, oil, gas), mercury thermometers.

- Participants may dispose of solid, non-liquid medication(s) by removing the medication from its container and disposing of it directly into a disposal box or into a clear sealable plastic bag. Plastic pill containers will not be collected due to patient information and disposal costs. Blister packages are acceptable without the medications being removed.
- Liquids will be accepted during this initiative. However, the liquids, creams and sprays must be in their original packaging and evenly distributed within the boxes of collected solid prescription medications. Liquids without the original packaging will not be accepted.
- Illicit substances such as marijuana or methamphetamine are not a part of this initiative and should not be placed in collection containers.

