Help Protect Our Community

Why should you dispose of unused or expired prescription drugs?

7 out of 10 local addicts in recovery who were interviewed got their first prescription opioids from their friends.

Of those 18-27 year old Alaskans who reported using heroin, 96% reported also misusing prescription opioids.

Prescription opioids are the most misused of all prescription medications.

Both prescription opioids and heroin are highly addictive drugs and once addicted it can be hard to stop.

Unused prescription opioids thrown in the trash can be retrieved and abused or sold illegally.

Unused or expired prescription medications are a public safety issue, leading to accidental poisoning, overdose, and abuse.

How you can help

Most young people in the FNSB have never misused prescription opioids, however we need to protect them from starting down the path towards addiction. Take your unused or expired prescription medication to one of these year-round disposal sites.

354th Medical Group Clinic 2630 Central Avenue Suite 1, Eielson AFB (907) 377-5235

> Bassett Community Hospital Bldg 4076 Room 131-02, Fort Wainwright (907) 361-4000

> > Fairbanks Police Department 911 Cushman St, Fairbanks, (907) 450-6500

Denali Pharmacy (FMH) 1650 Cowles St, Fairbanks (907) 452-8181

North Pole Police Department 125 Snowman Lane, North Pole (907) 488-6902

North Pole Prescription Lab 167 Santa Claus Lane, North Pole (907) 488-8555



Home disposal kits available at: Fairbanks Public Health Center 1025 West Barnette, Fairbanks (907) 452-1776

For more information 907-374-0204

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