

Thank you for using the Single Use Disposal System!

The Single Use Disposal Systems (SUDS) are a convenient and environmentally friendly way to dispose of your unused or expired prescription medications. The pre-paid **TakeAway Envelope** allows you to mail your unused and expired prescriptions from the privacy of your own home. They are incinerated unopened keeping them out of our drinking water.

WHAT HAPPENS TO THE ENVELOPE AFTER IT IS MAILED?

The envelopes containing the medications are sent directly to a treatment facility to be incinerated.

ARE TAKEAWAY ENVELOPES SAFE?

Yes, the TakeAway Envelopes are safe. Using the TAE is safer than flushing or throwing the medications in the trash. Incinerating the medications limit the environmental damage that medications can have by preventing them from polluting our drinking water.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommends incineration as the method of drug destruction, which meets the Department of Enforcement Agency's (DEA) standard.

CAN NEEDLES OR INHALERS GO IN THE ENVELOPE?

Unfortunately, no. Please reach out to your local health department.

WILL ANYONE SEE MY PERSONAL INFORMATION?

No, once you seal the TakeAway Envelope it is incinerated unopened.

Questions: Please contact Danielle Campbell at 713.743.7016 or email dscampbe@central.uh.edu

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As many as **92%** of people have leftover medications and don't know how to dispose of them. You can lead the effort to remove unused medications by cleaning out your medicine cabinet using Single Use Disposal Systems.

Using the environmentally safe TakeAway Envelopes reduces the risk of unused prescription medications getting into the wrong hands and helps prevent accidental poisonings.



Take a picture of the QR code and answer a few questions so we can continue to provide these to you at no cost.

You can also complete the postage paid postcard found in the TakeAway Envelope and mail the completed postcard separately.



INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

Thank you for using the **TakeAway Medication Recovery System™** to safely dispose of your unwanted medications. Your decision to help keep prescription and over-the-counter drugs out of the environment protects not only you and your family, but also helps prevent drugs from entering the ecosystem.

Do's

1. Place all unused medications into this envelope including legally held controlled drugs and narcotics (Schedules II, III, IV and V.)
2. Medications should be in their original containers when placed into the TakeAway envelope.
3. Liquids must be placed in a sealed plastic bag (e.g. a zip-locked bag) before being placed inside the envelope. No more than four (4) ounces of liquids can be included in each mailing.
4. Seal the envelope carefully.
5. Take the sealed envelope to a U.S. Post Office or U.S. Postal Service drop box, or simply hand it to your U.S. postal carrier.

Don'ts

- DO NOT mail needles, syringes, lancets, injection pens, chemotherapy waste or other medical waste in this envelope. Contact Sharps Compliance at 800.772.5657 for the proper disposal method for these items.
- DO NOT mail batteries, aerosol spray cans, trash or other hazardous materials in this envelope.
- DO NOT mail illicit drugs (Schedule I controlled substances) such as marijuana, cocaine, heroin, methamphetamine.
- DO NOT OVERFILL THE ENVELOPE.
- DO NOT take this filled envelope back to your pharmacy.

Notice 1 - Packages may only be mailed from within the 50 US states, District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

Notice 2 - Only TakeAway Environmental System envelopes provided by Sharps Compliance Inc. will be accepted for destruction.

Call Sharps Compliance, Inc. at 800.772.5657 if you have any questions regarding packaging requirements.

By sealing this envelope I certify that I have read and followed the instructions for use and confirm this envelope DOES NOT CONTAIN ANY UNAUTHORIZED MATERIAL (see the Don'ts included above.) I AM AWARE THAT FULL RESPONSIBILITY RESTS WITH THE MAILER OF THIS ENVELOPE FOR ANY VIOLATION OF LOCAL, STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS OR REGULATIONS WHICH MAY RESULT FROM PLACING UNAUTHORIZED MATERIAL IN THE MAIL.



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