



# 2023 NORTH SHORE HEALTH DEPARTMENT HEALTHY HIGHLIGHTS

Serving the communities of Bayside, Brown Deer, Fox Point, Glendale, River Hills, Shorewood and Whitefish Bay

## June 7, 2023: Safe Drug Disposal

### Safe Drug Disposal: Drug Take Back Options

This summer NSHD will be attending farmers markets and other community events to discuss harm reduction, safety, and prevention, including safe drug disposal.

Drug take back options are the best way to safely dispose of unused or expired medications. There are several kinds of drug take back options you can utilize. Before you dispose of your medications, make sure to remove personal information on labels and packaging.

### Permanent collection sites

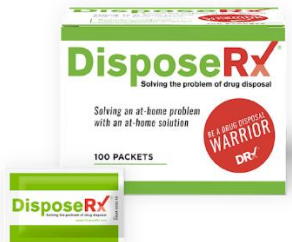
There are various facilities and businesses registered with the U.S. DEA to collect unused or expired medications. These collection sites safely gather and dispose of your unused or expired medications, including those that contain controlled substances.

Find a collection site near you using [this link](#) or call the DEA Diversion Control Division Registration Call Center at 1-800-882-9539 for more information about collection sites. You can also search “drug disposal near me” or “medication disposal near me” on [Google Maps](#) to find a disposal sites near you. *Please note, there are select medications with specific instructions to immediately flush down the toilet if a drug take back option is not readily available. The FDA’s [Flush List can be found here.](#)*

### Bags and packets for deactivation & disposal

Deterra Bags is another option to dispose of drugs and prevent drug misuse. Using a Deterra Bag protects the environment through safe and permanent disposal of unused prescriptions and over the counter medications. These bags deactivate drugs, pills, patches, liquids, creams, and films, making them unavailable for misuse.

We offer FREE Deterra Deactivation and Disposal Bags and FREE DisposeRX packets. Both bags and packets deactivate medications and are available by stopping by our community booths or at both of our offices (Brown Deer office: 4800 W Green Brook Dr., Shorewood office: 2010 E Shorewood Blvd.).



NSHD offers FREE naloxone (Narcan) and training the community. Please scan the QR code below or [CLICK HERE](#) to register for a time to be trained.

## NARCAN is available at North Shore Health Department

NARCAN® Direct Program



**SCAN THE QR CODE to schedule a time to stop in for training & to receive Narcan.**

*Walk-ins are also welcome!*

**NARCAN is available at both offices:**

### Brown Deer office

4800 W Green Brook Dr.

### Shorewood office

2010 E Shorewood Blvd.

**Open Mon-Fri 8AM-430PM**

Want to learn more about Narcan?

Scan the QR code to visit

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### RESOURCES AND REFERENCES

1. [Drug Disposal: Drug Take Back Locations | FDA](#)
2. [Safe At-Home Medication Disposal | Deterra Drug Disposal System \(deterrasystem.com\)](#)
3. [DisposeRx, Inc. - Medication Disposal - DisposeRx, Inc.](#)