



Florence County Health Department

501 Lake Ave PO Box 410 Florence, Wisconsin 54121 715-528-4837
A.Seibold, RN, MS Health Officer/Director



NEWS RELEASE

3/2/20

Julia Hallgren
Florence County Health Department Student Intern
715-528-4837
FAX 715-528-5269
fchealth@co.florence.wi.us

Spring Drug Take Back Day

[Florence, WI] – The Florence County Health Department and Sheriff's Office will be holding their annual spring drug take back event at the Florence County Courthouse on April 25, 2020. Florence County residents are encouraged to bring in their prescription or over the counter drugs, syringes, and sharps to be collected for free. Syringes/sharps are three dollars per pound when brought into the health department, so take advantage of this free event! The drug take back day in the fall was a success! Florence County collected 7.6 lbs. of medications! Wisconsin came in second in the nation for collections with a total of 60,472 lbs. in medications! Join us April 25th from 10am till noon for the drug collection event!

The drug take back events are not the only way to dispose of your medications. Florence County now has three permanent prescription drug drop boxes that accept over the counter and prescription medication anonymously. They're located inside the Florence Sheriff's Office in Florence, Florence Prescription Services, and outside the main entrance at NWTC in Aurora. There are also Deterra bags available for free at the Health Department located in the Florence County Courthouse and at the Florence County Library. Deterra bags are an at home way to deactivate/dispose of medications. Finally, the health department is also providing lock boxes and lock bags for free to any Florence County residents. These bags/boxes are a safe and easy way to keep medications locked away. We've already given away a significant amount of our bags and boxes this year!

For more information, contact the Florence County Sheriff's Office at 715-528-3346 or the Health Department at 715-528-4837, located in the Courthouse at 501 Lake Avenue or visit our website at <http://www.florencecountywi.com/>. The health department is located on the second floor, 501 Lake Avenue in the Florence County Courthouse, open Monday through Friday from 8:30a.m. - 4:00 p.m. closed for lunch from 12-12:30. Need health insurance? Visit access.wi.gov to see if you qualify for benefits.

###