

City of Lynn's Prescription Drugs Disposal Program

The City of Lynn's Prescription Drug Take Back program has been made possible through grant funding from Health Resources in Action, in collaboration with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. The program is an effort to prevent the diversion of unwanted prescription medications and reduce their negative impact on the environment. The program will be a partnership between the City of Lynn's Health Department, the Lynn Communities That Cares Coalition and the Lynn Police Department.

A collection box is located in the lobby of the police station for year round access. This stationary, permanent site is a "bank deposit-style" system where individuals are able to drop items for disposal into a secure container via a one-way, wall mounted collection door. Drop-offs can be performed 24 hours a day.

Items to be collected include:

- Prescription and Over-the-Counter Medication
- Medication Samples
- Vitamins
- Veterinary Medications
- Narcotics
- Liquid Medications

Items that are not to be accepted include:

- Syringes
- Needles (needle disposal site housed in City Hall Health Clinic)
- Thermometers (collected by Health Dept. City Hall)
- IV Bags
- Epi-pens
- Bloody or Infectious Waste
- Personal Care Products
- Hydrogen Peroxide
- Empty Containers
- Inhalers

Future outreach efforts will include community-based collection events to include flu clinics, DPW collection days, elderly housing and senior center complexes.