

Safe Medication Disposal

Did you know...?

- You should never flush medicine in the toilet, as it ends up in the water supply. **Bring it to a collection site for SAFE disposal.**
- Water treatment plants can't remove all the medication from the water.
- The medication in the water pollutes lakes and rivers and may harm people and fish.
- Properly disposing unwanted medicines helps prevent childhood poisoning and helps reduce substance abuse.

For more information contact the Health Department at 715-485-8500 or the Sheriff's Department at 715-485-8300.



Polk County Collection Sites:

Lobby
Polk County Justice Center
Balsam Lake

SCRMC Emergency Room
St. Croix Falls

SCRMC Medical Clinic
St. Croix Falls

SCRMC Medical Clinic
Frederic



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If you can't make it to a collection site...

- Remove medicine from container.
- Grind up and mix with used coffee grounds, cat litter or other undesirable material, and a little water to dissolve.
- Place mixture in disposable container with a lid, like a margarine tub, or in a sealed plastic bag.
- Conceal or remove any personal information, including Rx number, from bottle by removing label or covering with permanent marker.
- Place the sealed container with the mixture, and the empty drug containers, in the trash.