



PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

Prevention, Recognition, Resources

The Pinellas County Sheriff's Office is working with area pharmacies, healthcare providers, and treatment programs to address the use and abuse of prescription drugs. Pain killers in all forms have become the most abused drugs. They are easily available and can have tragic consequences alone, or if mixed with alcohol or other medications.



Your pharmacy has provided you with instructions for the appropriate use of your prescription. The majority of pharmacies dispense their prescriptions responsibly to informed pharmacy customers. However, the growing number of prescription pill mills and drug abusers have made prescription drug related crime the single largest enforcement challenge in recent memory.

What Can You Do?

Keep your medication in a secure place and away from children, teens, and other persons who may frequent your residence. The medicine cabinet is the first place prescription drug abusers or the curious will look.

Remember, having prescription medication in your possession that is not prescribed for you is illegal. Sharing your prescription with others is also illegal.

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OPERATION MEDICINE CABINET™

Have expired or unused prescription drugs?

The Sheriff's Central and North District Offices have prescription drug drop boxes available daily during business hours.

DROP OFF LOCATIONS:

Pinellas County Sheriff's Office
10750 Ulmerton Rd.
Largo, FL 33778
727-582-6200

Pinellas County Sheriff's Office
North District:
737 Loudon Avenue
Dunedin, FL 34698
727-582-6900
7:00am - 11:00pm/7 days a week

For additional locations visit:
www.pinellasdrugabuse.com

- Look for a **Lock Your Meds** box in the lobby area. A law enforcement officer will assist you.
- No information is required or questions asked. The officer will not open any containers.
- This program is for the general public, and not for commercial use, including doctor's offices.
- Any prescription drug or medicine used for people or pets, including pills, liquids, inhalers, patches and Epi-Pens are accepted.
- Syringes or medical equipment are not accepted.
- Secure bottle caps with tape.
- Medicine will be safely disposed of by incineration.



The Operation Medicine Cabinet Permanent Drop Box Locations are provided by the LiveFree! Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Pinellas County, the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, and local law enforcement agencies.



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