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Drug Take-Back Event Scheduled for March 25th in Imperial

Do you have prescription drugs in your medicine cabinet and don't know what to do with them? The Imperial Police Department and Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department are working together to host a Drug Take-Back Event on Saturday, March 25th from 10:00 am to Noon at the front entrance of the police department.

"We have numerous people ask what to do with their unused prescriptions," explains Chad Ostmeyer, Sergeant with the Imperial Police Department. "We wanted to help solve this situation and we found a partner with Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department."

"We will have an officer at the event and be responsible for the secure collection of the drugs," explains Sergeant Ostmeyer. "We would appreciate no needles, sharps or liquids."

The goal is to provide a safe, secure and environmentally responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs. SWNPHD encourages residents of southwest Nebraska to take advantage of this opportunity and to not flush your old meds down the toilet or throw them in the trash.

"Plan to be in Imperial on Saturday, March 25th, bring your old meds and you are on your way," encourages Denise Garey, SWNPHD Public Information Officer. "No paperwork is needed to drop off your meds. Drive up at 637 Broadway and drop off on the 25th."

For more information on Drug Take-Back Day you can call the Police Department at 308-882-4400 or email: chado@imperial-ne.com or SWNPHD at 308-345-4223 or email: educate@swhealth.ne.gov. Imperial office is 501 Broadway – 5th Street entrance or call 308-882-4269. You can follow us on Facebook.com/swnphd and Twitter@swpublichealth.

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