

# SAFELY dispose of your unused medication.

Like many Americans, you may have unused or expired medications at home that could be dangerous to your family or others.

These medications, including opioids are a public safety issue that can lead to accidental poisoning, overdose or death. It is common for individuals who abuse prescription drugs to get them from family and friends — and the home medicine cabinet. If thrown in the trash, opioids and unused prescription drugs can be retrieved and abused. If flushed down the toilet, they can contaminate the water supply.

OptumRx® offers drug disposal kits, free of charge, so you can easily and safely dispose of unwanted or expired medications (pills, liquids or patches) without harming the environment or risking potential abuse.



**7 out of 10**  
prescriptions remain  
unused and available  
for potential abuse<sup>1</sup>



**Call the number on the back of your plan ID card to receive a medication disposal kit at no charge.**

1. Verde Environmental Technologies Inc. Summary Report: Use of Medsaway® Activated Carbon adsorption technologies as a means to render drugs unavailable, unusable, and, subsequently no longer available for diversion. deterrasystem.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/Summary-Report-re-Medsaway-to-render-drugs-unusable-Nov-2013.pdf. Published November 26, 2013. Accessed May 2, 2018.

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