

# PREPARING TO SELL YOUR HOME?

As you prepare your home for sale, it is important to properly dispose of any unused or expired medications

Studies have shown that many legally-prescribed medications remain in medicine cabinets long after their need or expiration dates have passed.

The Minnesota REALTORS® suggests that sellers dispose of unwanted medications at a local disposal site prior to showing their home.



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# SAFELY DISPOSE OF UNUSED MEDICATIONS

Preventing Opioid Abuse and  
Addiction Begins at Home

# REMEMBER: STORE SECURELY & DISPOSE SAFELY

## DO:

- Store your medicines safely away from children and others who may take your medicine without your knowledge or permission. This may mean locking up your medicine in a safe, or another secure location.
- Dispose of unused or expired medications safely by taking them to an approved disposal site.



## DON'T:

- Flush pills or medication down the drain or toilet. Flushing pollutes drinking water and can harm aquatic life.
- Throw pills or medication in the trash. Misuse can occur once the medication leaves your home. Always opt for a secure disposal site.

Did you  
Know ?

*Minnesota has more than 100 drop boxes statewide*

## Where Do I Go?

To find your nearest drop box location, visit one of the sites below.

**DOSE OF REALITY**  
PREVENT PRESCRIPTION PAINKILLER ABUSE IN MINNESOTA.

[DoseOfReality.MN.gov](http://DoseOfReality.MN.gov)



[TakeBackDay.DEA.gov](http://TakeBackDay.DEA.gov)

## Want More Information About Disposing Medications Safely?

*Pharmacists and local law enforcement can often answer your questions about which medications should be disposed of and how to safely do so.*