# NC Lock Your Meds Campaign

Opioid Misuse in Older and Vulnerable Adults Symposium 2017



#### Introductions

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#### Communications Campaign

"Messaging alone is not enough to make an impact in the community. An effective communications campaign is comprehensive, targeted to your audience, involves diverse partners, based on data and include multiple avenues to spread the message."

#### Overview of the Campaign

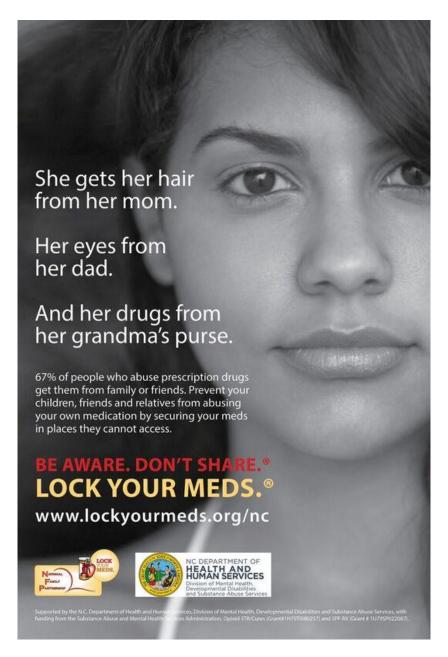
- Why We Have It
  - 67% of people who misuse prescription medications get them from family and friends.
- What's Included In It
  - Education
  - Tangible Promotional Items
    - Rack cards, lock boxes, etcs
  - Broadcast/Digital/Print Licenses
    - TV, radio, billboard, etc.

#### www.lockyourmeds.org/nc

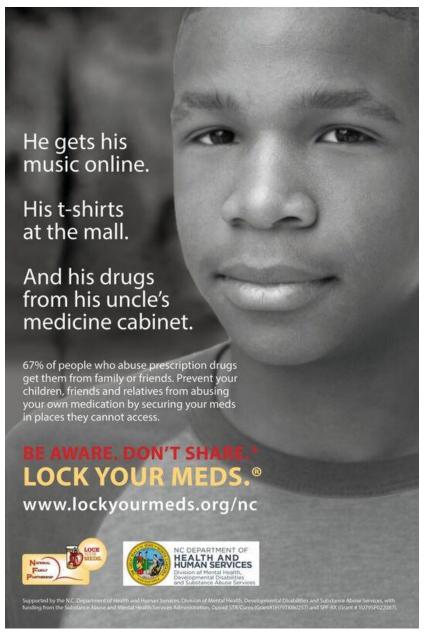




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# Action Steps for Communities & Their Partners

- Talk with your doctor about your meds
- 2. Properly secure and monitor your meds
- 3. Safely and properly dispose of old, expired or unused meds
- 4. Educate yourself & your family
- 5. Pass it on

# 1. Talk with your doctor about your meds

- Confirm the dose and quantity of your medication is the lowest safe and effective dose possible.
- Ask about other options to the <u>most commonly abused medications</u>.
- Ask questions that can help you learn about your medication and treatment alternatives

# Most Commonly Misused Medications

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Most Commonly Abused Medications	Example Medications	Example Physical Health Effects	Example Street Names*
Opioids – used primarily to treat pain; can be found in some cough medicines  Opioids pain relievers appeal to people because they can produce quick, intense feeling of pleasure followed by a sense of well-being and a calm drowsiness	<ul> <li>Vicodin</li> <li>OxyContin</li> <li>Percocet</li> <li>Percodan</li> <li>Duragesic</li> <li>Demerol</li> <li>Opana</li> <li>Darvon</li> <li>Dilaudid</li> <li>Lomotil</li> <li>Adian</li> <li>MS Contin</li> <li>Oramorph SR</li> <li>Ultram</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pain relief</li> <li>Poor coordination</li> <li>Drowsiness</li> <li>Nausea</li> <li>Constipation</li> <li>Euphoria (feeling high)</li> <li>Confusion</li> <li>Slowed breathing</li> <li>Death</li> <li>Increased risk of HIV, hepatitis and other infectious diseases from</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Hillbilly Heroin</li> <li>Oxy, OC, Oxycotton</li> <li>Percs</li> <li>Happy Pills</li> <li>Vikes</li> <li>Captain Cody, Cody</li> <li>Lean, Schoolboy, Sizzurp</li> <li>Purple drank, China Girl</li> <li>Apache</li> <li>Dance Fever</li> </ul>
Note: Many people who abuse prescription opioids move on to heroin,	<ul> <li>Over-the-counter medicines such as Tylenol with Codeine and Robitussin with</li> </ul>	injecting these drugs through shared needes When mixed with	<ul> <li>Friend</li> <li>Goodfella</li> <li>Jackpot</li> <li>Murder 8</li> <li>Tango and Cash</li> </ul>

# Questions to Ask Your Doctor about Medications

- 1. Why are you recommending this medication?
- 2. Are there alternatives that might be tried before this medication is used?
- 3. Does research support the use of the recommended medication for a person my age and with similar needs?
- 4. How does this medication fit with my overall wellness plan?
- 5. What are the potential risks and benefits of the medication, and what are the potential side effects?
- 6. If a medication dose is missed or I stop taking it, are there any unfavorable effects?
- 7. How will I know when it is time to talk about stopping my medication and what steps need to be taken before the medication is stopped?

# 2. Properly secure and monitor your meds

- Only 5% of children who misuse prescription medications say they get them from a stranger, a drug dealer or the internet.
- Securing medication so they cannot be accessed.
  - medication lockbox
  - locked cabinet
  - locked closet
  - out of reach.
- Monitoring quantities. Regularly check to see if anything is missing.
- Use a home medicine inventory card that can help you keep track of your medications.

### Medicine Inventory Card



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# 3. Safely and properly Dispose of old, expired or unused meds

- Find a drop box in your community.
- National Prescription Drug Take Back Day



#### Community Drop Box



Home Drop Boxes by County

Do you need to...

Find a Drop Box to dispose of my medications...

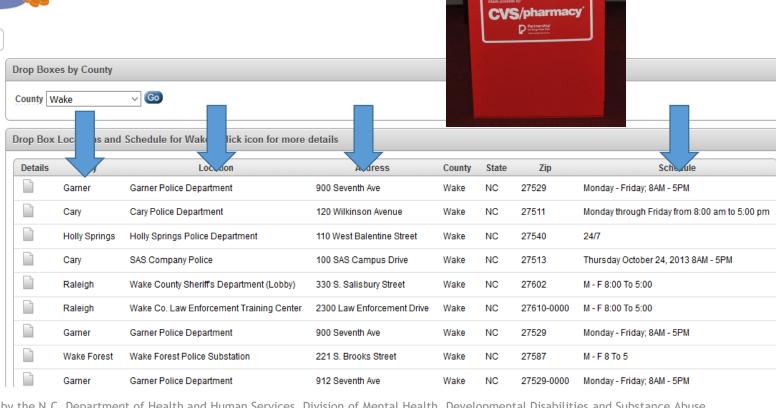
- By county
- By customizing a list of all Drop Boxes statewide

Find an Event to dispose of my medications...

- · By county
- By customizing a list of all Events statewide
- By viewing calendar of Events

Register with OMD to list Drop Boxes and/or hold Events

Log in to my account



DISPOSE

MEDICATION DISPOSAL

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#### National Prescription Drug Take Back Day

- April & October yearly
- April 2017
  - 60 Collection sites in NC
  - 26,420 pounds of medications collected in NC

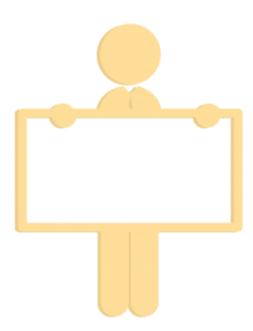
www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug\_disposal/takeback/index.html

#### 4. Educate yourself & your family

- Learn about the most <u>commonly misused</u> types of prescription medications and their associated signs and symptoms.
- Communicate the dangers to your child, friends or loved ones regularly; once is not enough.
- Make time to talk and create an environment where your child, friend or loved one feels safe to talk to you about questions and/or concerns they have about Rx drug misuse.
- Be observant of their actions, behaviors, and mood.

#### 5. Pass it on

- Share your knowledge and support with friends, family and others.
- Together, you can create a tipping point for change.



- Approximately 55 counties are implementing LYM campaign
- Various organizations
  - Substance prevention coalitions
  - Prevention provider
  - MCO

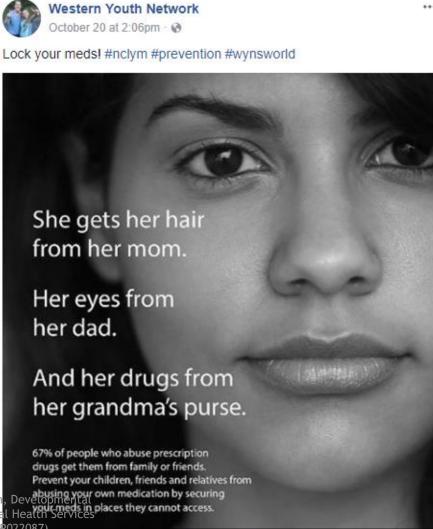
#### **Community Partners**

- Hospices
- Local Pharmacies
- Health Department
- Health Care System
- Senior Resource Center
- Coalitions
- Funeral Homes
- Faith Community

- Community Health Council
- Board of County Commissioners
- County Sheriff's Office
- County Library
- County Schools
- County Department of Social Services
- County Transit
- University

- Community forums
- Discharge patients with lock box
- Government Office/TV channels
- Movie theater preview
- Incorporated into Mental Health First Aid SUD section
- Medication Drop Off event
- Newspaper
- Billboard
- Distribution of tangible materials at community fairs, parent events, etc.





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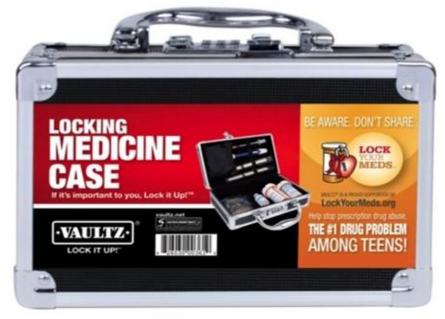


Magnets: 11,400

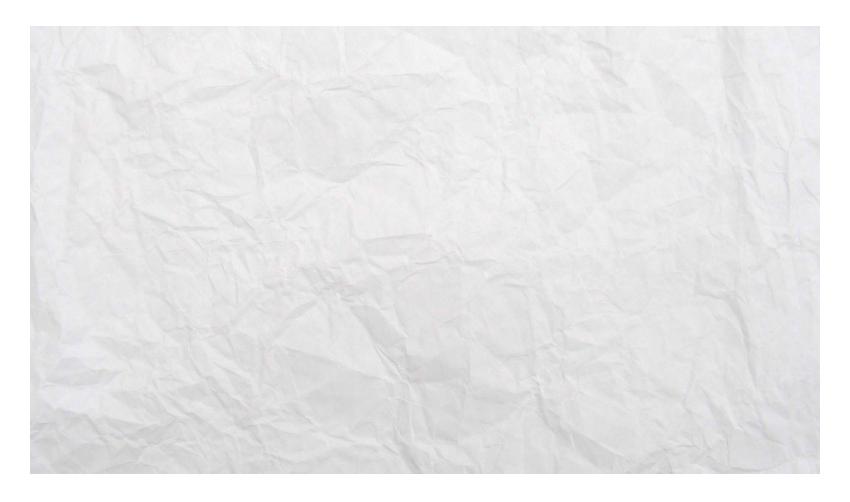
Rack Cards: 500,000

Posters: 1,125

Lockboxes: 1,500



#### Television Public Service Announcement



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#### Commercials

- ABC, WRAL, WECT, News 14, A&E, ESPN, Lifetime, BET, Discovery, Food, HGTV, TBS, TNT, USA, History, VH1, and FX.
- Will also air on streaming/on demand ABC product for their prime programming and eve news
- NC PTA- Memberhub.com (e-mails to parents)

#### Digital Ads

- USA Today, Real Simple, CBS Sports, MSN, Fox Sports, Good Housekeeping, Country Living
- Local websites (i.e. wral.com, News & Observer, etc.)
- REACH- 6,295,000 impressions

### I'm Interested in Utilizing the Campaign!

- Rack cards, posters, magnets, lock boxes, etc.
- Access to digital ads
- Resources (Commonly Misused Drugs, Medicine Inventory Card, etc.)
- Visit www.lockyourmeds.org/nc
- Fill out materials interest form

#### Contact Us

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