

## For Immediate Release

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### Manitowoc County Drug Disposal Program

Do you have old medications that you need to dispose of? If so, help prevent drug abuse, overdose and keep our water supply clean by participating in a Manitowoc County Drug Disposal Program.

Residents may bring unwanted drugs and medications to this program free of charge. Please note that our guidelines have changed.

### September 12, 2019

2pm – 4pm

Kiel Community Center  
510 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Kiel, WI

### Acceptable Items:

- Prescription Medications
- Over the Counter Drugs
- Veterinary Medications
- Controlled Substances
- Supplements



### Guidelines:

- Place pills in a “ziplock” style bag that is quart size or less. It is acceptable to mix pills together in the bag. Liquids, cremes, powders, and medical inhalers can stay in their original container with caps tightened.
- Pill bottles and boxes are NOT accepted. Cross out your personal information and dispose or recycle them at home.
- Needles, sharps, lancets, mercury devices, chemical waste, electronic glucose monitors, non-medical inhalers, and personal care products like cosmetics and shampoo will NOT be accepted.
- Do NOT bring medications to drug disposal events before or after the listed times.
- If you cannot make the event then bring your unwanted medications to a Drug Drop Box located at the Manitowoc County Sheriff’s Office, City of Manitowoc Police Department or City of Two Rivers Police Department. Make sure to follow these guidelines.
- Households only. Businesses should call 920-683-4333 for disposal information.
- Practice safe storage by keeping your medications in a secured location.
- Practice reduction by consulting with your physician about your medication needs.
- Never share your prescriptions with another person.

### Mercury Thermometer Exchange

A mercury thermometer exchange will be available during this collection event. Bring your mercury thermometer separately, in a sealed, cushioned container. Receive one digital fever thermometer per household while supplies last.

For information on this or other programs call the Recycling Center at 920-683-4333 or visit [www.co.manitowoc.wi.us/recyclingcenter](http://www.co.manitowoc.wi.us/recyclingcenter). Sponsored by the Manitowoc County Metro Drug Unit and the Manitowoc County Drug Disposal Collaborative.