Wausau Police Dept
515 Grand Avenue, Wausau
Mon-Fri, 8am-4pm in Lobby
No Holiday Drop Off

Everest Metro Police Dept
5303 Mesker Street, Weston
Mon-Fri, 8am-5pm in Lobby
No Holiday Drop Off

Rothschild Police Dept
211 Grand Ave, Rothschild
Open 24 hrs/day in Lobby
365 Days per Year

Colby-Abbotsford Police Dept*
112 W Spruce Street, Abbotsford
Mon, Wed & Fri, 8am-5pm
Tues & Thurs, 8am-1pm in Lobby
*If traveling long distance, suggested to call 715-223-4944 to ensure availability

Kronenwetter Police Dept
1582 Kronenwetter Drive, Kronenwetter
Open 24 hrs/day, Outside Access
365 Days per Year

Thank you for your support!
Aspirus Pharmacy
AOD Partnership Council
Brickner’s of Wausau
Colby-Abbotsford Police Dept.
Everest Metro Police Dept.
Kronenwetter Police Dept.
Marathon Co. Building Maintenance Dept.
Marathon Co. Parks Dept.
Marathon Co. Dept. of Medical Examiner
Marathon Co. Health Dept.
Marathon Co. Sheriff’s Dept
Marathon Co. Solid Waste Dept.
Rothschild Police Department
Shopko Pharmacy (Wausau, Rothschild, & Abbotsford)
Target Pharmacy
Walgreens Pharmacy
Wausau Police Dept.
Young’s Drug Store

For More Information
Marathon Co Solid Waste & Recycling Line 1-877-270-3989
or visit
healthymarathoncounty.org

What’s allowed at the Drop-Box?
Over-the-counter & prescription medications
- Bring in original containers
- Remove or cover all personal information

Items Not Allowed
- Radioactive Chemo Drugs or IV bags
- No needles or syringes

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Providing a safe place to dispose of unwanted & unused medications since January 2010

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Why use a medication drop off?

Protects the environment
Studies have found traces of different pharmaceuticals in wastewater throughout the United States. Do NOT flush or pour them down the a drain or sink.

Increases public safety
According to the National Survey on Drug Abuse & Health, 70% of those 12 yrs & older who abuse non-medical painkillers are obtained through a friend or relative, both legally and illegally.

Improves public health
Throwing unused or unwanted medications in the trash, or leaving them out can lead to dangerous unintended exposure to people or animals. Treat and store both prescription and over-the-counter drugs like any other poison.

What is the problem?
Every day, 2,200 youth age 12 to 17 abuse a pain reliever for the first time. In 2008, nearly 2 million teens age 12 to 17 reported abusing prescription drugs.

Among 12 to 13 year olds, prescription medications are now their drug of choice.

Since 1997, there has been over a 400% increase in those seeking treatment for non-medical use of prescription painkillers.

In 2004, nearly half of all emergency room visits resulting from over-the-counter cough or cold remedies were patients between 12 to 20.

Emergency room visits for the non-medical use of prescription or over-the-counter medications are now comparable to illicit drugs, such as heroin or cocaine.

How can I tell if my loved one is abusing these drugs?
- Problems at school or work
- Neglected appearance
- Changes physical health (constricted pupils, slurred speech or flushed skin)
- Personality changes, mood swings or irritability
- Missing or unfamiliar pills
- Empty bottles or packages
- Running out of pills quickly, losing pills, or requesting refills
- Borrowing money or having extra cash

What can I do about it?
Think of your home . . .
- What prescription & over-the-counter medications do you have?
- Where are they kept?
- What is the expiration date?
- Would you know if some were missing?

Source: SAMHSA, 2008 National Survey on Drug Use & Health (Sept 2009)