More teens...

abuse prescription drugs than any illicit drug except marijuana.

Rx drug abuse...

is second only to alcohol abuse among adults 60 and older; senior drug abuse has been called a "silent epidemic."

Rx drugs...

are the drug of choice among 12 to 13 year olds. More first time drug users start out with painkillers than with marijuana. Oregon has among the highest rates in the U.S. for teen prescription drug abuse.

70%

obtained Rx Drugs from a friend or relative

Source: SAMHSA, 2008 National Survey

RX DROP BOX LOCATIONS

NEWPORT: LOCATION: NEWPORT PD/CITY HALL HOURS: 9-5 541.574.3348

LINCOLN CITY: LOCATION: LINCOLN CITY PD HOURS: 24/7 541.994.3636 TOLEDO: LOCATION: TOLEDO PD HOURS: 24/7

PREVENT RX DRUG ABUSE

541.336.5555

Remember to TALK to your children about prescription drug abuse, BE AWARE of the dangers and the Rx drugs you have in your home, and properly DISPOSE of all meds by taking them to a drop box sponsored by your local Police Department.

Sponsored by:

Newport, Lincoln City and Toledo Police Department, Sheriff's Department, APARC-Addiction Prevention & Recovery Committee, Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund, Lincoln Commission on Children & Families, and PAADA-Partnership Against Alcohol & Drug Abuse.

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Get the DROP on Rx Drug Abuse



TALK BE AWARE DISPOSE

A GUIDE FOR SAFE MEDICINE STORAGE/DISPOSAL

RX DROP BOX FAQ

DO I NEED TO PEEL THE LABELS OFF THE RX BOTTLES? NO...ONCE THE BOTTLES ARE PLACED IN THE DROP BOX THEY ARE TAKEN TO AN INCINERATOR. SO YOUR INFORMATION IS SAFE AND CONFIDENTIAL.

WHAT TYPE OF MEDS CAN I PUT IN THE DROP BOX? PILLS, LIQUIDS, CREAMS, AND PET MEDICATIONS. NO SYRINGES PLEASE. YOU CAN PLACE ALL MEDS IN A ZIPLOCK BAG AND DROP THEM IN THE BOX.

WHAT HAPPENS TO THE MEDS AFTER I DROP THEM OFF? A POLICE OFFICER TRANSPORTS THEM TO AN ENVIRONMENTALLY SAFE INCINERATOR.



A survey by the Partnership for a Drug-Free America found the following nonmedical uses by teens of medicines:

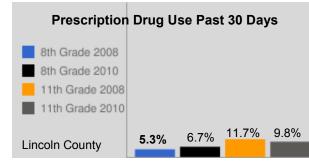
- 1 in 5 teens has misused Vicodin
- 1 in 10 has misused OxyContin
- 1 in 10 has misused Ritalin/Adderall
- 1 in 11 misused cough medicine

" The problem of prescription drug abuse is predominately one of access and awareness."

White House Office of National Drug Control

Policy, April 2009

What's Happening in Lincoln County?



WHAT'S IN YOUR MEDICINE CABINET?

Use this worksheet to log the meds you currently have in your medicine cabinet. You can also use this as a tool when talking with your children about the dangers of Rx drug abuse. Parents that are AWARE and TALK with their children are less likely to have problems with Rx drug abuse in the home. Remember 70 percent of Rx drugs are obtain from family and friends.

