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Contact your local pharmacy or police station for more information.

PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION DISPOSAL SAFETY GUIDE



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IMPROPER DRUG DISPOSAL – ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT



NEGATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS INCLUDE



Feminization
of Fish



Drug Traces in
Drinking Water



Ecosystem
Disruption



Soil
Contamination



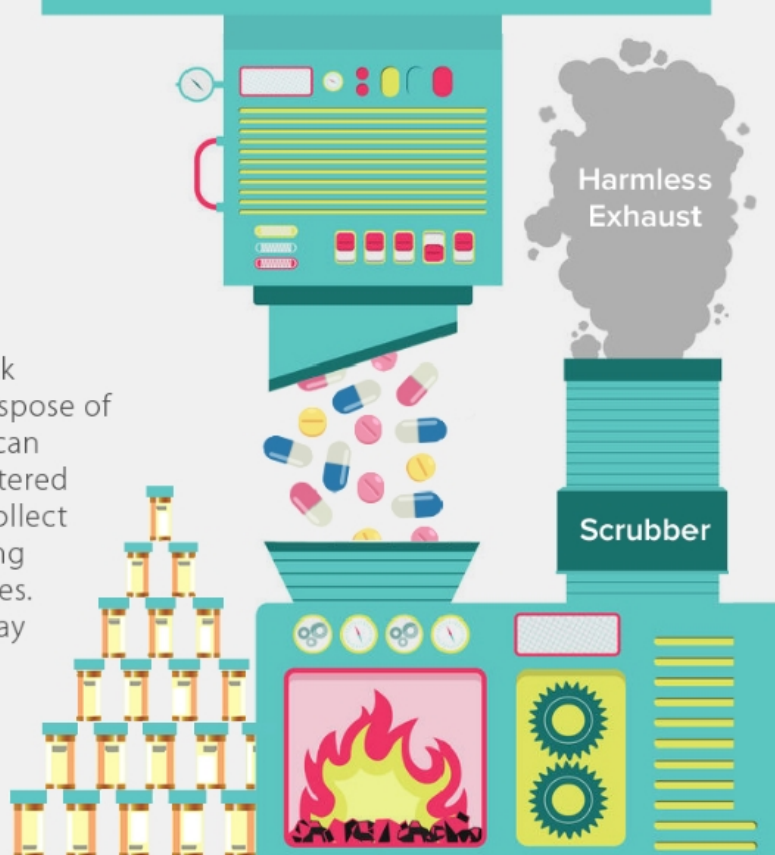
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Medication Incineration Process

Medications are finally transported to an incinerator where they're destroyed in an environmentally-friendly manner.





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Follow these simple steps to dispose of medicines in the household trash.

1



MIX

Mix medicines (do not crush tablets or capsules) with an unpalatable substance such as dirt, cat litter, or used coffee grounds.

2



PLACE

Place the mixture in a container such as a sealed plastic bag.

3



THROW

Throw the container in your household trash.

4



SCRATCH OUT

Scratch out all personal information on the prescription label of your empty pill bottle or empty medicine packaging to make it unreadable, then dispose of the container.



SHARPS SAFETY DISPOSAL

NOTICE

SHARPS DISPOSAL



Sharp's is a medical term for medical related devices with sharp points or edges that can puncture or cut skin. They include needles, syringes, lancets and auto injectors. When sharps are not properly disposed of, they pose a health risk to the community and waste collection staff. It may even be illegal in your community to place sharps in your recycle or trash. Talk to your pharmacist about safe sharps disposal. Most pharmacies offer sharps containers and disposal services.



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