



OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

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TO: Oklahoma State Board of Pharmacy

From: John Foust, Executive Director

Re: Unused/Unwanted/Expired Medication Disposal

Please consider this a formal request for the Oklahoma State Board of Pharmacy to establish a pilot program in conjunction with the National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA) and the "disposemy meds.org" (DMM) program for the safe disposal of unused/unwanted/expired (UUE) medications.

This pilot program would allow Oklahoma in-state licensed pharmacies to establish a drop-off location in their pharmacy for UUE medications, and then dispose of them through the DMM program. Medications allowed to be dropped-off would be subject to the provisions of the current rules and regulations of the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

The operation of the UUE pilot program at an individual pharmacy will be the responsibility of both the pharmacy and the pharmacist-in-charge. The pharmacy shall have a policy and procedure outlining the program, dated and signed by the pharmacist-in-charge. The policy and procedure shall have provisions establishing security for the drugs, and include drug diversion detection and prevention procedures.

Under this pilot program, a pharmacy that wishes to participate in the DMM UUE pilot program shall keep documentation of their participation in the program in the pharmacy for a period of 2 years after discontinuing the program.

Approved:

Not approved:


Executive Director

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Date