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National Prescription Drug Take Back Day October 27th

National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day is being recognized on Saturday October 27, 2018. Crow Wing County Community Services would like to encourage residents gather their unused medications and safely dispose at collections sites across Crow Wing County.

There is no charge for disposing of your medications. Properly and safely disposing of medications can help prevent misuse, diversion and accidental poisonings. While Prescription Drug Take Back Day is recognized each fall and spring, you can safely dispose of your unused or expired prescriptions at any time of the year.

Crow Wing County has several “Take it to the Box” sites with drop-off boxes that take unused medications year round. Currently, there is a drop box in the lobby of the Crow Wing County Sheriff's office, and the following police departments: Crosby, Breezy Point, Nisswa, Pequot Lakes, and Crosslake. Generally, these sites are open Monday – Friday during business hours. Essentia Health Pharmacy Brainerd and the Essentia Health Pharmacy Baxter also have a collection program offered.

The sites will accept over-the-counter medications and prescriptions. Participants are asked to leave medication in the original container and leave medication name on container. Please remove your name and other identifying information. Syringes, needles, or sharps and chemotherapy or radiological medicine are NOT accepted at these sites.

For more information <http://www.crowwing.us/documentcenter/view/13525>

Community Services administers more than seventy federal and state benefit and assistance services and programs to residents in Crow Wing County. The Department is dedicated to providing excellent service and efficient management in performing its mission of promoting and protecting the health, well-being and self-sufficiency of all Crow Wing County residents.

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Our Mission: Serve well. Deliver value. Drive results.

Our Values: Be responsible. Treat people right. Build a better future.

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