

### **Prescription Drug Disposal Drop Boxes**

Below is a link to drop boxes located at various police stations for year round disposal of your unused or expired medications.

<http://www.drugfreecommunitieswaukesha.com/>

Accepted: Prescriptions, pills, patches, over-the-counter medications, vitamins, samples and pet medication.

Not Accepted: Do NOT bring syringes, liquids, creams, aerosols, bio-hazard waste or personal care items.

***\*These boxes are for household use only. They are not intended for commercial, business or long-term deposit.\****

### **Concerns**

Small amounts of antibiotics, anti-depressants, veterinary drugs, birth control hormones, and ibuprofen have been detected in waterways across the United States. Research suggests that the hormones found in pharmaceuticals may cause abnormalities in the reproductive cycles of fish. Antibiotics that are present may also lead to the development of drug-resistant germs, which are linked to antibiotic-resistant bacteria. More research still needs to be done to determine the effects of long-term human exposure, as well as how drugs get into waterways, but the available research suggests that we need to keep medicines out of our waterways.