

Pharmaceutical Wastes that are Controlled Substances

Pharmaceutical wastes classified by the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) as “controlled substances” must be disposed of in compliance with DEA requirements. A list of controlled substances can be found on the DEA’s website: <https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/schedules/> Controlled substances do not include many prescription items such as antibiotics.

Pills containing a controlled substance should be crushed before placing the residue into a pharmaceutical waste container. Controlled substance that is remaining in a syringe should be injected into a pharmaceutical waste container before disposing of the syringe in a sharps container.

Controlled Substances can be taken to the following locations. It is recommended that you call to make sure the locations are still accepting controlled substances and verify the hours of operation.

Under no circumstances should any waste medication – including controlled substance waste – be disposed of down the drain.

Public Controlled Substance Disposal Locations:

Bus Name	Address	City, State Zip	Hours
EL DORADO COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE	300 FAIR LANE	PLACERVILLE, CA 95667	9am-5pm M-F
EL DORADO COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE	1360 JOHNSON BLVD. #100	SOUTH LAKE TAHOE	9am-5pm M-F
ROBINSON'S PHARMACY	359 MAIN STREET	PLACERVILLE, CA 95667	8am-7pm M-F 9am-5pm Sat
SHINGLE SPRINGS HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER	5168 HONPIE RD	PLACERVILLE, CA 95667	8am-5pm M-F
KAISER PERMANENTE PHMICY #281	2155 IRON POINT ROAD	FOLSOM, CA 95630	8am-7pm M-F
WALGREEN CO.	12120 NEW AIRPORT RD	AUBURN, CA 95603	8am-9pm M-F 9am-6pm Sat 20am-6pm Sun

For information on Opioid’s please go to the California Department of Health website: <https://discovery.cdph.ca.gov/CDIC/ODdash/>