

On November 14, 2009 between the hours of 10am and 2pm Operation Medicine Cabinet is taking place. This initiative is open to all residents in the state of New Jersey and is to encourage residents to properly dispose of their unused, unwanted and expired prescription medication. This is a statewide effort with over 250 participating police departments, 39 of which are located in Bergen County. This program is being spearheaded by the Drug Enforcement Administration's New Jersey Division, the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General and the Partnership for a Drug-Free New Jersey with cooperation from The Center For Alcohol and Drug Resources. For a list of participating towns and drop off locations log onto www.operationmedicinecabinetnj.com. If your town is not participating you may use a drop off location in another town.

We are asking for your help in a few ways:

- If your local police department is not signed up to be a drop off location, contact them and encourage them to participate in Operation Medicine Cabinet. This can be done by contacting Special Agent Douglas S. Collier, M.A. at douglas.collier@usdoj.gov or via phone (973) 776-1143.
- If your local police department is participating, contact them and encourage them to be in touch with The Center for Alcohol and Drug Resources to get posters, brochures, fact sheets and other information to provide to the residents the day of the drop off. The Center will be holding an Open House for the Police Departments on Thursday, November 5th between the hours of 9:30am and 3:30pm for them to pick up this information, or they can e-mail Jamie England, jengland@cafsnj.org or call (201) 488-8680 to make other arrangements.
- Print the attached flyers and post them at your local libraries, grocery stores or other locations to make the public aware of this program. Also, you could pass the flyers on electronically to list serves, groups you are in contact with or other individuals that could post them. In order for proper reporting to NJPN, please contact Jamie England, jengland@cafsnj.org with who you sent these flyers to, so I am aware of where they are posted in order to get the word out properly.
- Finally, participate on the day of Operation Medicine Cabinet and dispose of your own medication properly by dropping it off at your local drop off site.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me. I would like to thank you in advance for your energy and cooperation.