

The following guidelines were developed to encourage the proper disposal of medicines and help reduce harm from accidental exposure or intentional misuse after they are no longer needed.



Guidelines for Proper Disposal of Drugs and Medications

Unity Township Municipal Authority

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www.pwea.org

www.wef.org

[Www.utmapa.org](http://www.utmapa.org)

Follow any specific disposal instructions on the prescription drug labeling or patient information that accompanies the medicine. Do not flush medicines down the sink or toilet unless this information specifically instructs you to do so.

There is a Drug Take-Back Box located in the Westmoreland County Courthouse Lobby. Drop offs can be made 24 hours a day with no questions asked.

If no disposal instructions are given on the prescription drug labeling and you can not get to a Drug Take-Back Box, throw the drugs in the household trash following these steps.

- 1) Remove them from their original containers and mix them with an undesirable substance, such as used coffee grounds, dirt or kitty litter. This makes the drug less appealing to children and pets.
- 2) Place the mixture in a sealable bag, empty can or other container to prevent the drug from leaking out of the trash.
- 3) Scratch out all identifying information on the prescription label to make it unreadable. This helps protect your identity and privacy.
- 4) Do not give your medication to others. What works for you could be dangerous to someone else.
- 5) When in doubt as your pharmacist or call the Authority.

Who We Are

The Unity Township Municipal Authority (UTMA) owns and operates approximately 180 miles of collection line, 8 pump stations and two wastewater treatment plants serving approximately 7,100 customers, including homes, businesses and industries. Wastewater generated by these customers is processed at the 0.950 MGD Pleasant Unity Wastewater Treatment Plant, 0.950 MGD 14 Mile Run Wastewater Treatment Plant, 5 MGD Latrobe Municipal Authority Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Hempfield Township Authority New Stanton Plant.

UTMA's annual operating budget is approximately \$6,000,000.

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