

Medication (patches, liquids and pills) Disposal

Residents wishing to dispose of pills should use the permanent drop boxes located at each of the area law enforcement agencies.

Drug deactivation/disposal bags* can be used for patches, liquid medication and pills.

The disposal of liquid medications can be accomplished by using the deactivation/disposal bags* or mixing with used coffee grounds or kitty litter. Put the mixture in a zipper storage bag and close to prevent the drug from leaking. The storage bag should then be placed in the garbage.

Pharmaceutical patches are not accepted at permanent drop box locations but can be rendered inert and disposed of by using the bags.

Some chain pharmacies have medication disposal kiosks set up to accept medications, ointments and patches.

*Deterra deactivation/disposal bags are currently available (while supplies last) at Sarasota County Health Department locations.