

I am reaching out to share information with you about a new effort we will be rolling out in 2020 aimed at preventing prescription drug misuse and abuse. This year we will be installing prescription drug disposal kiosks in 1,000 Walmart and Sam's Club pharmacies across the country, including in York, Harrisburg, Reading, Chambersburg, Mechanicsburg, Lebanon, Altoona, Butler, Easton, Erie, New Castle, Pittsburgh, Norristown, Bethlehem, Willow Grove, Etters, Lancaster and Camp Hill in June.

We recognize the potential danger prescription medications pose when they fall into the wrong hands. According to the 2018 National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 9.9 million Americans misused controlled prescription drugs. The study found that a majority of abused prescription drugs were obtained from family and friends, often from a home medicine cabinet. By adding in-store disposal kiosks, we hope to help our customers prevent prescription drug misuse and abuse in their own homes and communities.

This is just one step in our ongoing effort to give customers access to a range of safe disposal options. We will continue to collaborate with the DEA and local law enforcement partners on the twice-annual Take Back Day medication collection events. Additionally, we will continue the practice we started in early 2018 when we became the first pharmacy chain to offer customers a free at-home safe disposal solution. For those who fill prescriptions for opioid medications, we offer an at-home opioid disposal product, [DisposeRx](#), at no cost. Patients filling any new opioid prescription receive a free DisposeRx packet, and patients with chronic prescriptions are offered a free packet every six months. Existing Walmart pharmacy patients can also receive a free DisposeRx packet at any time upon request.

We share your commitment to the health and safety of our communities. If you have any questions about our new in-store safe disposal kiosk program, or would like to participate in some way in the public announcement in your community, please let us know.

Sincerely,

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