

Drug take back planned for Saturday

(MSC News)--Prescription drugs must be disposed of safely and properly.

That's the reason behind National Drug Take Back Day, planned for Saturday, as local area law enforcement agencies partner with the Drug Enforcement Agency, to allow safe disposal of such medications.

All area collection locations will operate from 10:00 Saturday morning until 2:00 in the afternoon.

The Brown County Sheriff's Department will again join in the effort, conducting collections at the Sheriff's Office located at 709 Utah Street in Hiawatha.

Taking part in the program has also become a tradition for the Atchison County Sheriff's Department, with Sheriff Jack Laurie telling MSC News he has seen strong success through his office's participation. "It's been successful every time, the amount of prescription drugs that we get each time." Laurie says all varieties of prescription drugs are accepted anonymously for disposal, which keeps them from falling into either the wrong hands, or being disposed of in environmentally unfriendly ways.

The DEA cannot accept liquids, needles, or sharps.

Saturday's drug take back in Atchison will happen at the CVS pharmacy, located at 400 South 10th Street.

Numerous other agencies from across the local area will join law enforcement nationwide in taking part in the event. For a complete list of local Drug Take Back locations, go [here](#).

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