



LOCK YOUR RX STOCK

- Clean out your medicine cabinets.
- Dispose of any unused, unneeded, or expired medications properly at drop boxes.
- Secure any medications you need to keep in a Medicine Lock-Box.

SECURE YOUR MEDS

- Know where your medications are at all times during an open house.
- Report any stolen prescriptions to the police.



You could be a supplier!
Get rid of your leftover meds!
Lock up the meds you need!

To find a drop box near you, visit:

njconsumeraffairs.gov/meddrop/



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PRESCRIPTION DRUGS CAN
GET INTO THE WRONG HANDS!



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PROTECT YOUR MEDS

EACH DAY...

cleaners, contractors, caregivers, your kids' friends and neighbors may be coming to your home.

Open Houses

According to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), stealing drugs from open houses is a technique drug thieves use to obtain prescription drugs.

Most commonly targeted medications include:

OPIATES: Pain killers and muscle relaxers like OxyContin and Vicoden.

DEPRESSANTS: Anxiety, depression and sleep medication.

STIMULANTS: ADHD Medications such as adderall.

SOBERING STATISTICS

About 80% of people who use heroin, first misused prescription pills.
70% of all addictions start in a family or friend's medicine cabinet.

1 in 3



Teens think abusing prescription drugs is safer than street drugs and that it is OK to occasionally abuse prescription drugs.

The amount of prescription painkillers prescribed in 2020 was enough to medicate every adult in America around the clock for a month.

Nearly 15,000 people die of prescription overdoses annually in New Jersey, about 2/3 of drug related deaths.



40
Times
More Likely

A CDC study found that users of prescription drugs are 40 times more likely to use heroin than others, a figure that cements commonly prescribed medication as a gateway to more dangerous substances.



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