Attorney General Moody's Week in Review - April 26, 2024



This week, Palm Beach County Sheriff Ric Bradshaw and I urged Floridians to help us fight the opioid crisis by participating in National Prescription Drug Take Back Day on Saturday.

Tomorrow, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Floridians can safely dispose of unused, unwanted and expired medications at a local drop-off location. National Drug Take Back Day is a biannual event hosted by the Drug Enforcement Administration every April and October.

Nationally, more than 112,000 people died from drug overdose in 2023. According to the <u>2022</u> <u>Florida Department of Law Enforcement Medical Examiners Annual Report</u>, Florida lost more than 8,000 to opioid-related overdoses.

While illicit fentanyl is the main cause of these deaths, prescription medication found discarded in a friend or family member's medicine cabinet can often feed a fatal addiction. By participating in Drug Take Back Day, Floridians can be part of the solution by safely disposing of expired or unwanted medications.

To find a drop-off location and to learn more about National Drug Take Back Day, visit <u>DEA.gov/TakeBackDay</u>. You can find year-round drop-off locations to dispose of unwanted medications at <u>DoseOfRealityFL.com</u>.

By fighting the opioid crisis, and helping those with addiction, we are building a Stronger, Safer Florida.



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