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## Attorney General Moody's Week In Review - Oct. 23, 2020



This Saturday is National Prescription Drug Take Back Day and ahead of this important event, I joined U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration Administrator Timothy Shea in an effort to encourage Floridians to participate—and help us end the national opioid crisis. Drug Take Back Days are a great opportunity for people to dispose of unused or expired prescription drugs or controlled substances. By disposing of these substances carefully, we can prevent drug abuse, addiction and overdose deaths.

The DEA also now accepts vaping products at take-back locations, which can help prevent under-age vaping and keep addictive products from falling into the wrong hands.

These events have proven extremely successful in removing unwanted or expired substances from our streets. Last October, we saw more than 882,000 pounds, that is almost 442 tons, of unused or expired prescription medications and vape devices disposed of safely.

That's a huge amount of drugs kept from being unintentionally dispersed into our communities and our of vulnerable hands, and it just shows you the enormous impact of so many people taking small steps to prevent drug abuse.

Now is your chance to pitch in and help us fight drug abuse. You can find local disposal locations by visiting [TakeBackDay.DEA.gov](https://www.dea.gov/take-back). Once you find the nearest location, drop off unwanted medications anytime between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. this Saturday.

If you can't make it Saturday, our [DoseOfRealityFL.com](https://www.doseofrealityfl.com) website has an interactive map where

you can find year-round take-back locations throughout Florida.

By safely disposing of unused medication you can help us save lives, and build a Stronger, Safer Florida.



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