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# Lancaster Police Department

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Effective Tuesday, February 13, 2018, in an effort to ensure the health and safety of its employees, and visitors to the Lancaster Police Department, we will be changing the procedure used to accept unneeded, and/or outdated prescription and over-the-counter medication for destruction.

The only items we will accept are prescription and over the counter pills. No liquids, ointments/salves, powders, patches, aerosols, needles, syringes or medical waste of any type will be accepted. Nor will any radioactive chemotherapy drugs be accepted.

All pills must be emptied into a clear Ziploc style plastic bag. The bag must be appropriately sized for the amount of pills within, and securely sealed. Pills must be loose inside the bag, containing no packaging materials or any prohibited items.

Pills may be dropped off 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, by bringing your Ziploc style bag of pills into the Lancaster Police Department lobby. An officer will visually inspect it, to ensure it contains no prohibited items before accepting it.

There is no need to give any personal information or fill out any paperwork. All medications will be securely stored and transported to an appropriate disposal facility in accordance with DEA guidelines.

For more information regarding safe disposal of all types of medications, needles and sharps, as well as the location of other Authorized Collector Locations, please visit the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) website at:  
[https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug\\_disposal/index.html](https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug_disposal/index.html)