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## UPDATES

Placer-Nevada Rx Drug Safety Coalition



## IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Placer-Nevada Rx Drug Safety Coalition values any opportunity to inform members of our community about how they can practice safer drug usage. Check out <u>this</u> article by Granite Bay High School's student newspaper, for which our coalition was interviewed to provide information about youth drug usage in our community.

Connecting with organizations in our community allows us to facilitate important conversations about drug safety. If you are a member of a school or other organization in Placer or Nevada County and are interested in learning more about drug safety, please reach out to us today! IN THIS ISSUE

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## DRUG TAKEBACK DAY RESULTS

The most recent DEA Drug Takeback Day was October 23rd, 2021, and the event was a huge success! 2,138 participants disposed of 7,011 pounds of unwanted medications! We are grateful for everyone who participated in Drug Takeback Day! Drug disposal reduces the potential to misuse or abuse medications and prevents people from accessing drugs not prescribed to them.

If you missed Take Back Day, you can still dispose! Various locations in our community offer permanent drop-off sites where you can dispose of medications all year long, during the host site's business hours. Check out our website or contact us to find a location for disposal near you!

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Read on to learn about recent updates and upcoming opportunities in the drug safety community!

- Read this statement from CDPH which addresses the abrupt closure of 29 pain management facilities in California which disrupted the continuum of care for over 20,000 patients.
- The National Overdose Prevention Leadership Summit is November 9th-10th, 2021. Click here to learn more and get signed up!
- California CareForce is offering a free clinic in Chico. CA on November 12th-14th. Learn more here about services offered, or sign up to volunteer!
- The next Rx Drug Safety Coalition Meeting will be held over a Zoom platform on December 16th, 2021.

Be sure to keep an eye out for our future newsletters and to follow us on social media for more information. Reach out to rxdrugsafety@gmail.com with questions, concerns, or more information on getting involved!



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