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Office of the Attorney General to host National Drug Take Back Day in Santa Fe

Santa Fe, NM – Today, Attorney General Hector Balderas announced that the Office of the Attorney General is hosting a National Drug Take Back Day location in downtown Santa Fe this Saturday, October 23, 2021. New Mexicans can safely dispose of prescription drugs (no questions asked) like opioids, sleep medications, and Benzodiazepines in order to keep them out of the hands of our youth and to prevent dangerous addictions. All types of prescription drugs will be accepted for safe disposal by the Office of the Attorney General from 10 AM to 2 PM on Saturday. If you cannot make it to the Office of the Attorney General, you can find a location near you at:

<https://takebackday.dea.gov>

WHO: Office of the Attorney General, Special Agents and the Public

WHAT: Attorney General Prescription Drug Take Back

WHEN: 10 AM – 2 PM, Saturday, October 23, 2021

WHERE: 408 Galisteo Street, Villagra Building, Santa Fe, NM 87501

Please see the attached flyer with this information for distribution.

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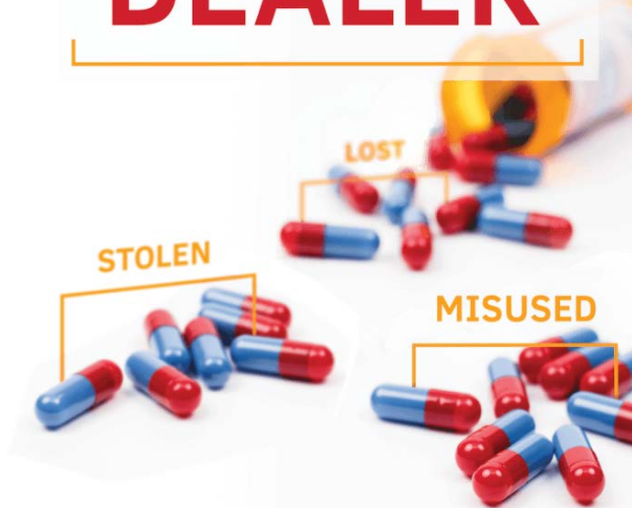
DEA National Drug TakeBack

October 23, 2021 from 10am to 2pm
New Mexico Office of the Attorney General
408 Galisteo, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Other locations can be found at
<https://takebackday.dea.gov>

The DEA's Take Back Day events provide an opportunity for Americans to prevent drug addiction and overdose deaths.

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The National Prescription Drug Take Back Day addresses a crucial public safety and public health issue. According to the 2019 National Survey on Drug Use and Health, **9.7 million people misused prescription pain relievers, 4.9 million people misused prescription stimulants, and 5.9 million people misused prescription tranquilizers or sedatives in 2019. The survey also showed that a majority of misused prescription drugs were obtained from family and friends, often from the home medicine cabinet.**