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The C.W. Williams Community Health Center to Host National Prescription Drug Take Back Day Event in Partnership with Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department

Community invited to safely dispose of unused and expired medications and receive overdose prevention education on April 25th

CHARLOTTE, NC, April 23, 2026 – The C.W. Williams Community Health Center, Inc. is proud to announce its participation in the DEA’s National Prescription Drug Take Back Day on Saturday, April 25, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at its 3333 Wilkinson Boulevard location.

Held in partnership with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department, the event will provide residents with a safe, convenient, and responsible way to dispose of unused, unwanted, or expired prescription medications, helping to prevent medication misuse, accidental poisoning, and improper disposal that can harm the environment.

In addition to medication disposal services, event attendees will also have access to community education on overdose prevention, medication safety, and harm reduction, as well as free Narcan® (naloxone) distribution while supplies last. Narcan is a life-saving medication used to reverse opioid overdoses and is an important tool in protecting individuals and families affected by the ongoing overdose crisis.

“Prescription Drug Take Back Day is an important opportunity to protect our families and our community,” said Dr. Kevin Barnes, Pharmacy Director at The C.W. Williams Community Health Center. “By safely removing unused medications from our homes, we reduce the risk of misuse, accidental ingestion, and environmental contamination.

This event is part of a nationwide effort to address the public health and safety concerns associated with keeping unused medications in the home. Organizers hope the event will also increase awareness about medication safety, overdose prevention, and responsible healthcare practices.

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About The C. W. Williams Community Health Center, Inc.

The C.W. Williams Community Health Center, Inc. (CWWCHC) is a 501(c)(3), non-profit, Federally Qualified Community Health (FQHC), NCQA-recognized Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH), and healthcare safety net founded by the late Dr. C.W. Williams and friends in 1980 to ensure that underserved patients receive high quality healthcare. CWWCHC provides primary and preventive medical & dental care, mental health and substance use disorder counseling and treatment, infectious disease testing and specialty care, women’s health, maternal & child health, pediatric healthcare, discount 340B pharmacy services, mobile medical/dental/behavioral health/maternal health services, and free patient transportation. Each year, CWWCHC serves over 15,600 patients, representing more than 33,000 patient visits.

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EVENT DETAILS

What: National Prescription Drug Take Back Day - Community members are encouraged to bring medications they no longer need for proper disposal.

When: Saturday, April 25, 2026 | 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Where: The C.W. Williams Community Health Center, Inc.
3333 Wilkinson Blvd.
Charlotte, NC 28208

No appointment is necessary.

More information: Call 866-CWW-4-YOU (866-299-4968)

Event Services

- Safe disposal of unused or expired medications
- Community education on medication safety
- Overdose prevention and harm reduction education
- Free Narcan® (naloxone) distribution while supplies last

Accepted Items

- Unused or expired prescription medications
- Over-the-counter medications
- Tablets, capsules, and patches
- Medications in original containers (personal information should be removed or blacked out)

Items Not Accepted

- Needles, sharps, or syringes
- Thermometers
- Illicit substances
- Aerosol cans
- Hydrogen peroxide
- Inhalers
- Medical waste

Reference attached flyer and 30-second Public Service Announcement.

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**SAMPLE 30-SECOND PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT
FOR CWWCHC'S MEDICATION TAKE-BACK DAY**

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Sample 30 Second PSA Script

HELP PREVENT MEDICATION MISUSE AND ACCIDENTAL POISONING. BRING YOUR UNUSED, UNWANTED, AND EXPIRED MEDICATIONS TO THE C.W. WILLIAMS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER ON SATURDAY, APRIL 25 FROM 9 AM TO 1 PM. THE EVENT WILL BE HELD AT 3333 WILKINSON BOULEVARD IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG POLICE DEPARTEMENT IN HONOR OF NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION TAKE BACK DAY. FREE NARCAN DISTRIBUTION WHILE SUPPLIES LAST AND OVERDOSE PREVENTION EDUCATION. CALL 866-CWW-4-YOU FOR MORE INFORMATION. THAT'S 866-299-4968. BE SMART. DO YOU PART TO SUPPORT SAFE MEDICATION DISPOSAL.

National Prescription Drug Take Back Day

Scan the QR code to register
for this event



This event provides a safe way to dispose of unused or expired prescription medications. Tablets, capsules, patches, and other solid prescription drugs will be accepted. Before you come, gather all expired or unused medications from your home and remove or scratch out personal information on prescription bottles.



Accepted Items:

- ✓ Tablets
- ✓ Capsules
- ✓ Other solid forms of prescription medications

Not Accepted:

- ✓ Liquids (unless sealed)
- ✓ Needles or sharps
- ✓ Illicit drugs

Saturday, April 25, 2026

Time

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Location

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