

Rx Danger Zone: The Search Starts At (Your) Home

The Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Ontario County, in partnership with the Red Jacket School District would like to remind parents, grandparents and community members about the importance of safeguarding medications to prevent prescription drug abuse among teens and others.

Do you know all of the places where a teen or others can access prescription drugs in your home?

- Bathroom – Access in medicine cabinets, drawers or closets.
- Bedrooms – Access in nightstands or dressers.
- Other storage places – Access to pill bottles, pill sorters, etc.

Please follow these steps to ensure your medication is safe:

- Monitor - count your medications regularly to ensure that none have been taken.
- Secure Meds – place all prescriptions, especially controlled substances in a locked box/cabinet/drawer (ex. opioids, stimulants or tranquilizers).
- Dispose Properly – drop off any unwanted or unused medication at one of the disposal sites within our community (location website: <http://www.co.ontario.ny.us/index.aspx?nid=1295>)

For more information about the Prevention Coalition and our work to prevent substance abuse within Ontario County, please contact The Partnership for Ontario County at 585-396-4554, visit our website at www.partnershipforontariocounty.org or via email at petrea.rae@gmail.com.

