



# DRUG TAKE-BACK EVENT

February 3, 2015  
8am – 1pm  
General Assembly Building, Main Lobby

*70% of all people who abuse prescription drugs get them from friends or relatives.<sup>1</sup>*

## INSTRUCTIONS

### **Medications that are ALLOWED (We will dispose these items on your behalf):**

- ✓ Expired/ Unused/ Unwanted prescription medications
- ✓ Over-the-counter medications and vitamins
- ✓ Expired/ Unused/ Unwanted Veterinary medications

### **Other instructions:**

- Leave medicine in original containers
- To ensure anonymity and privacy, you can use a black permanent marker to conceal any personal information on the container. (If you choose not to do this, we will do it for you!)

### **Medications that CANNOT be ACCEPTED:**

- Chemotherapy drugs
- Radioactive materials
- “Medical sharps” (e.g. hypodermic needles, pen needles, intravenous needles, syringes, lancets, and other devices that are used to penetrate the skin for the delivery of medications)

### **REMEMBER<sup>2</sup>:**

- DO NOT dispose of medications in the toilet or sink.
- DO NOT give prescription medicines designated for you to friends or family. This is not only illegal, but a drug that works for you may be dangerous for someone else.

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<sup>1</sup> National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH) from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Office of Applied Studies, 2008.

<sup>2</sup> Prescription Drug Abuse and Tips for Proper Disposal Brochure produced by Office of the Attorney General Mark R. Herring. <http://www.oag.state.va.us/files/Tips.pdf>