Homebound Options

If you have difficulty leaving your home due to mobility or health issues, please contact the Allegany County Office for the Aging at 585-268-9390 to schedule an appointment for an Allegany County Sheriff's Office Deputy to pick up your medications at your house.

What Happens to the Pills?

When the pill boxes need to be emptied the Allegany County Sheriff’s Office empties the boxes. The pills are weighed to keep a total of pharmaceuticals kept off our streets and to estimate the success of each pill drop location. Once the Sheriff’s Office has collected an adequate amount of pills, they are transported to an incinerating location in Niagara Falls, New York. By incinerating the unused or unwanted pharmaceuticals it helps keep pharmaceuticals out of our water supplies.

APPOINTMENTS are NECESSARY! NEVER open your door for a stranger. Deputy must show proper identification.

For more information visit www.ppaccentral.org or call (585) 593-1920.

Allegany County Pill Drop Locations

3084 Trapping Brook Road
Wellsville, NY 14895

(585) 593-1920 ext. 720
ppac@alleganycouncil.org

Prevention Works!
Why Drop Off Prescription Pills?

Nature
For years unused or unwanted medications have been disposed of down drains, which results in them ending up in our local water supplies, rivers and lakes.

In 2002, a U.S. Geological Survey report showed that 80% of surface water samples taken nationwide contained one or more pharmaceutical or personal care product. Studies by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have shown striking effects on aquatic life caused by high levels of medications in U.S. waterways.

Studies have shown significant levels of pharmaceuticals in people who eat large quantities of fish or seafood.

Misuse and Abuse
Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high—more Americans currently abuse prescription drugs than the number of those using cocaine, hallucinogens, and heroin combined, according to the 2009 National Survey on Drug Use and Health.

Studies show that teens who abuse prescription drugs often obtain them from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, many Americans do not know how to properly dispose of their unused medicine, often flushing them down the toilet or throwing them away – both potential safety and health hazards.

Questions
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Locations
Alfred Pharmacy
36 Main Street, Alfred

Alfred State University Police
Theta Gamma House
10 Upper College Drive, Alfred

 Allegany County Sheriff’s Office
4884 Route 19, Belmont

Cuba Police Department
15 Water Street, Cuba

Fillmore Pharmacy
10560 Route 19, Fillmore

Friendship Pharmacy
9 West Main Street, Friendship

Nicholson’s Pharmacy
36 Schuyler Street, Belmont

Jones Memorial Hospital
191 North Main Street, Wellsville

Jones Memorial Medical Practice
120 First Street, Bolivar

Wellsville Police Department
46 South Main Street, Wellsville