

# Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Ontario County

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## September/October 2016 Newsletter

The Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Ontario County is excited to launch our quarterly newsletter that will be published in September, December, March and June.

The Prevention Coalition is working hard to prevent Heroin and Prescription Drug Abuse in Ontario County. Each newsletter will feature information from our various work groups along with where you can find the coalition throughout the county.

As always, we greatly appreciate your support. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [petrea.rae@gmail.com](mailto:petrea.rae@gmail.com).

Enjoy the beautiful fall weather,

Petrea Rae, Coalition Coordinator

The Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Ontario County, an initiative of the Partnership for Ontario County.

Vision: Substance Abuse Free Ontario County

Mission: To collaboratively engage, inform and unite our communities in the reduction of substance abuse through prevention efforts

The coalition meets on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at the Wood Library. We also have a number of sub-committees/work groups that are meeting separate from the larger coalition meeting to work on individual strategies.

## Only you can secure your medication!

The Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Ontario County is launching the "Monitor, Secure, Dispose" Campaign across Ontario County to help build

awareness around restricting availability of medications at home.

During the Fall of 2015 and Spring of 2016, the coalition surveyed over 2,000 youth, young adults and community members about their perception of drugs and alcohol in Ontario County. 32% of youth surveyed responded that they got prescription drugs used for non-medical purposes from either their home or the home of a friend or relative.

#### How does this happen?

By medication being left in a location where anyone who enters your home can access it and take a few pills without you knowing.

#### What can you do?

The Prevention Coalition encourages everyone to take the following steps:

**Monitor** - count your medication regularly to ensure that none have gone missing.

**Secure** - lock up any medication you do not want anyone to access in either a locking drawer, locking medicine cabinet or safe.

**Dispose** - make sure any unwanted, unused or expired medication is disposed of properly at one of our medication drop off locations around Ontario County or at one of our mobile take back events in September or April.

For more details on where to dispose of your medications, please visit our website at <http://substanceabusepreventioncoalitionofontariocounty.com>.



Check out our new magnets available to remind everyone to "Monitor, Secure and Dispose" of their medication. Let us know if you want one!



*You are invited to join our gathering!*

*Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has. ~ Margaret Mead*

*Parents, neighbors and community members join in the conversation to discuss substance abuse and how we can make a positive community wide change.*

- *Where can a group of people in a community with a shared intention meet to discuss change?*
- *Where can you have an open dialogue about substance abuse and prevention?*
- *What patterns will be noted?*
- *What questions will communities struggle with to create the ownership needed to create change?*
- *How do we do this together?*

- Where: Naples Community Library
- When: Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup> from 6pm – 8pm
- Why? By coming together as a community, we can help curb the issues with heroin and substance abuse in our communities.
- Topic: Rehab and Treatment – what does it mean and how do we help a loved one get there?
- Questions? Please contact Petrea Rae, Coalition Coordinator of the Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Ontario County at 585-396-4554 or via email at [petrea.rae@gmail.com](mailto:petrea.rae@gmail.com).

The Prevention Coalition is an initiative of the Partnership of Ontario County, Inc.



# Got Pills?



## Unwanted Pharmaceutical Collection

(outdated, unwanted, unusable medications)

**Saturday, September 24**

**9am - 12pm**

**at**

**Victor Village Hall**

### Many Thanks to our Sponsors:



The Partnership for Ontario County, Ontario County Sheriff's Office, Covanta Niagara Center, Finger Lakes Visiting Nursing Services, Mead Square Pharmacy, Wegmans Food Market, Ontario County Office of the Aging, Ontario County Public Health, Sustainable Finger Lakes, Thompson Health and Village of Victor

# **Medication Drop Boxes Locations:**

**Bristol:** Town Hall (6740 County Road 32)

Hours: Monday – Friday 8am – 12pm & 1:30pm – 4pm

**Canandaigua – 3 locations:**

**DMV Office** (20 Ontario St. #2)

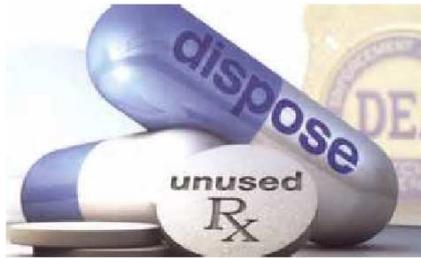
Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30am – 4:30pm

**FLCC** (3325 Marvin Sands Drive – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Keuka Wing)

Hours: Monday – Friday: 8am – 9pm

**The Medicine Shoppe** (66 West Ave)

Hours: Monday – Friday: 9am – 6pm, Saturdays: 10am – 1pm



**Farmington:** State Troopers Barracks

(1569 Route 332) • Open 24 Hours

**Geneva:** Police Station

(255 Exchange St) • Open 24 Hours

**Victor:** Mead Square Pharmacy (53 W. Main St)

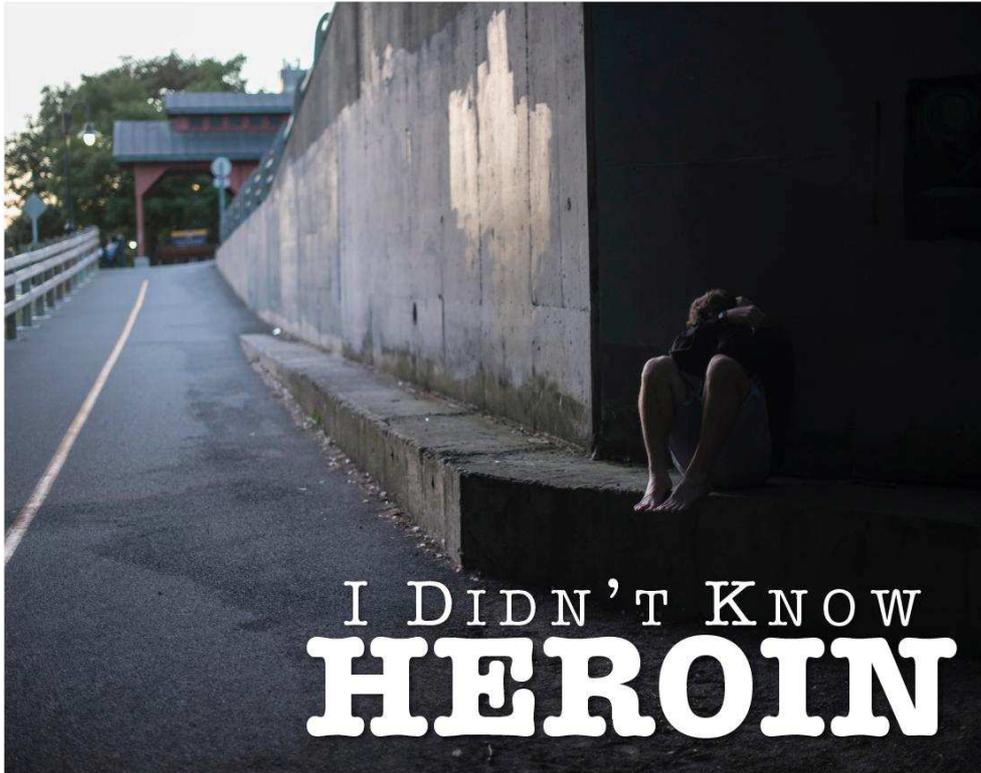
Hours: Mon – Fri. 9am – 7pm, Saturdays 9am – 4pm

## **What can be dropped off at a medication drop box in Ontario County?**

Any unwanted, unused and expired over-the counter, pet or prescription medication. Medication can be dropped off in the original container, please blacken your name for confidentiality. All medication is collected by the Ontario County Sheriff's Office and is incinerated.

For more information about the Medication Take Back Program, please contact the Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Ontario County at 585-396-4554 or visit our website at [substanceabusepreventioncoalitionofontariocounty.com](http://substanceabusepreventioncoalitionofontariocounty.com).





## **What is life on heroin?**

*Follow us on Twitter!*

**@PreventHeroinOC**

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Please take a moment to check out our twitter campaign.

### **Where can you find the Prevention Coalition from September - November?**

September 10th - Hang Around Victor Days from  
10am - 5pm (Tabling)

September 19th - VA Substance Abuse and PTSD

Conference at MCC from 8am - 1pm (Tabling)

September 19th - Community Café in Naples at the  
Naples Library from 6pm - 8pm

September 20th - Presentation with Sheriff Phil  
Povero at the Seniors And Law Enforcement  
Together Meeting at 9am

September 20th - Forum at the Ontario County  
Jail from 1:30pm - 3:30pm

September 21st - Coalition Meeting at the Wood  
Library from 4pm - 5:30pm

September 24th - Unwanted Medication Take Back  
Event at the Victor Village Hall from 9am - 12pm

September 24th - St. John Fisher Pharmacy  
Conference from 10am - 2pm (Tabling)

October 9th - Bristol Mountains Fall Festival  
from 11am - 5pm (Tabling)

October 10th - Happiness House Staff Forum from  
8:30am - 10am

October 11th - Ontario County Employee Health  
Fair from 11am - 2pm

October 13th - Town of Victor Employee Health  
Fair from 8am - 12pm

October 19th - Health Fair at PACTIV from 7am -  
4pm

October 19th - Coalition Meeting at the Wood  
Library from 4pm - 5:30pm

October 27th - Red Jacket Student Based Forum  
(Time: TBD)

November 16th - Coalition Meeting at  
the Wood Library from 4pm - 5:30pm

We will also be at a number of Open Houses at  
various school districts with our awareness  
table. Please stop by to learn more.

Please check our website for updates as we are  
always updating our efforts around the county.



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