



What's in Your Medicine Cabinet?

Heroin addiction often starts with the use of common prescription pain killers, known as "gateway" drugs.

Here's How it Starts:

Your child hears about kids taking Hydrocodone (Vicodin®) and Oxycodone (Oxycontin®)

Your child finds some in your medicine cabinet and decides to give it a try.

Your child likes the way it makes him/her feel.

Your child becomes addicted.

Your child learns (because most kids know) that he/she can obtain heroin easily and for less money than prescription drugs.

Your child becomes addicted to heroin.

Here's How it Ends:

Best case scenario - Your child's future is uncertain and he/she struggles for the rest of his/her life to overcome addiction.

Worst case scenario - Your child dies from a heroin overdose.

Nearly 8% of Livingston & Washtenaw County youth have abused prescription drugs and pain killers.

In Livingston County from 2009 - 2010, 28 people died of heroin overdoses.

Here's How We Keep Kids Safe:

Look for the big red barrel!



Keep your children and community safe. Dispose of your unused medications in the big red barrel at one of these locations:

Fowlerville Police Department

Michigan State Police- Brighton Post

Pinckney Police Department

Unadilla Township Police Department

Hamburg Police Department

Green Oak Township Police Department

Livingston County Jail

NO QUESTIONS ASKED



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