

Survey of Pharmaceutical Disposal Practices of Hospice Workers

1. Gender:
 - Male
 - Female
2. Age:
 - 18-29
 - 30-39
 - 40-49
 - 50-59
 - 60+
3. Are you responsible for handling and/or disposing of pharmaceuticals in your job duties?
 - Yes
 - No
4. How long have you worked in the medical field?
 - Less than 5 yrs
 - 6-10 yrs
 - 11-20 yrs
 - 20+ yrs
5. How long have you worked in the Hospice industry?
 - Less than 5 yrs
 - 6-10 yrs
 - 11-20 yrs
 - 20+ yrs
6. Have you worked with your local water utility in any of the following ways?
 - Pharmaceutical take-back program
 - Education (about pharmaceuticals in water)
 - Proper pharmaceutical disposal methods
 - No, I have not worked with my local water utility
 - Other - please describe:
7. Does your organization have a pharmaceutical disposal policy?
 - Yes
 - No
 - Don't Know

8. How do you dispose of a patient's unused pharmaceuticals?
- Kitty litter & garbage
 - Crush & flush
 - Take-back program
 - Dump into garbage
 - Donation
 - Other - please describe:
9. Have you received any training on how to dispose of unused pharmaceuticals?
- Yes
 - No
 - Don't know
10. Check all types of pharmaceutical disposal training you have received.
- Video
 - During orientation
 - In field
 - By supervisor
 - Policy manual
 - None
 - Other - please describe:
11. In your opinion, how concerned is your organization regarding proper disposal methods of patients' unused medication?
- Not concerned at all
 - Not too concerned
 - Somewhat concerned
 - Very concerned
 - Don't know
12. In what area are your patients primarily located?
- Urban
 - Suburban
 - Rural
13. What type of wastewater system are your patients primarily on?
- Septic system
 - Public sewer
 - Don't know
14. How concerned are your patients and/or their families regarding the drug disposal methods of their unused medications?
- Not concerned at all

- Not too concerned
- Somewhat concerned
- Very concerned
- Don't know

15. Indicate your level of concern for the following:

	Not concerned at all	Not too concerned	Somewhat concerned	Very concerned
Proper methods for disposal of patients' unused medications.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Potential harm from drug disposal methods by Hospice industry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Impact of pharmaceuticals on drinking water quality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Impact of pharmaceuticals to aquatic wildlife	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Impact of pharmaceuticals on water sources (lakes & rivers)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

16. Would you be receptive to procedure changes regarding disposal of patients' unused drugs?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe - elaborate on maybe response: