



Are You AWAR_xE?

More than 50% of prescription drug abusers got them from family and friends. And prescription drugs are the most commonly abused drugs among 12 to 13 year olds.

Does a drug dealer lurk in your medicine cabinet?

FACT:

Teens who abuse drugs often obtain them by “pharming,” that is, stealing them from their parents’ medicine cabinet. “Pharm parties” are popular in high schools – teens dump pills in a bowl and take them by the handful.

– “Prescription Drug Abuse,” E. Haglund, K. Otterson, PharmD Students, North Dakota State University, College of Pharmacy, Nursing, Allied Sciences

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- Secure storage of needed medications, and safe disposal of unneeded medications to prevent misuse and abuse.
- North Dakota Get Local information, including information on free medication disposal collection sites and drop boxes.
- How the North Dakota prescription monitoring program helps your doctor and pharmacist make the safest, most effective prescribing and dispensing decisions for your health.
- How your pharmacist can help you.



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