

SAFELY STORING MEDICATION IN THE HOME

Free Medication Lock Boxes available to Manistee County residents

October 9, 2020 – Many individuals keep medication in their homes, whether they be over the counter or prescription. How these medications are stored is important to the safety of all who live and visit the home. To prevent easy medication access for teens, adults, or small curious children, storing medication in a lock box is a simple solution.

Recently, District Health Department #10 (DHD#10) received a grant from the Manistee County Community Foundation to purchase tamper-resistant, medication lock boxes. DHD#10 is partnering with the Substance Education and Awareness (SEA) Coalition of Manistee County to promote the availability of lock boxes to community residents and distribute them, free of charge.

"The intent of this grant is to address identified needs and support clients who participate in our home visiting program clients such as Maternal Infant Health, Healthy Families, Women Infants and Children, and Community Connections," said Holly Joseph, Public Health Educator for DHD#10. "These lock boxes will bring attention to the risks of medication access in the home, as well as provide information regarding safe storage and disposal practices. By picking up a medication lock box, residents are protecting the health and well-being of all who visit Manistee County homes."

Interested individuals can find lock boxes at several SEA member offices: District Health Department #10, Centra Wellness, and Be Da Bin Behavioral Health of Manistee County. DHD#10 is pleased to partner with SEA agencies to allow for broader distribution across the county.

District Health Department #10

385 3rd St, Manistee
Contact Holly Joseph at (231) 316-8558

Centra Wellness

2198 US-31, Manistee
Contact Shannon Cole at (877) 398-2013

Be Da Bin Behavioral Health

2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee
Contact Dottie Batchelder at (231) 398-6741

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