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(Neb.)-Drug Take-Back Day Yields 6,200 Pounds Of Meds



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LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) - Organizers of Nebraska's annual Prescription Drug Take-Back day say they collected more than 6,200 pounds of medication this year.

The Saturday event was the fourth take-back day in Nebraska since May 2011. The events are coordinated by the office of Nebraska Attorney General Jon Bruning, the Nebraska State Patrol and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration.

Officials say they've collected nearly 21,000 pounds at various sites as part of the national event.

Nebraska State Patrol Superintendent David Sankey says the take-back days help keep unwanted medications out of the wrong hands. Statewide, officials have gathered nearly 21,000 pounds of prescription drugs since the events began.