



*"Small Town Atmosphere  
Outstanding Quality of Life"*



## Prescription Safety



While pharmaceuticals have provided medications to ease the pain and suffering and improve the quality of life for individuals, the potential for abuse has risen significantly, especially with pain medication. It is important that parents and caregivers practice safe medication use and storage. The following tips can help:

When you are prescribed a medication it is key to follow all directions. You should never drink alcohol while taking any medication unless you have your doctor's approval. You should always follow the doctor's advice regarding your prescription and never take more than the prescribed amount. By keeping track of how many pills are in one bottle, it allows you to recognize if any go missing. Be sure that all prescription drugs are kept in a safe location and out of a child's reach. Never tell your child that medicine is candy so they'll take it. Make sure to lock the safety cap on the medicine bottle by twisting the cap until you hear a click. If you've noticed a medication has changed in color, texture or odor, contact your doctor and remember to dispose of unused, unneeded, or expired prescription drugs safely. The Town of Danville offers a convenient, no-cost way to dispose of pharmaceuticals. For more details call the Town of Danville Police Department at 925-314-3700

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