

**MEDIA ADVISORY**

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(314) 446-8155 / (618) 420-9170 (cell)**St. Louis College of Pharmacy to Take Part in Door-to-Door Medication Take Back Event at Winter Garden Apartments***Event will give local seniors the opportunity to dispose of their unused or expired medications*

- WHO:** St. Louis College of Pharmacy faculty and students, and representatives of the United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) St. Louis Division
- WHAT:** Faculty and students from St. Louis College of Pharmacy and representatives from the DEA will go door-to-door to collect unused or expired medications from residents at the Winter Garden Apartments senior living community
- WHEN:** Friday, April 26 from 3-4 p.m.
- WHERE:** Winter Garden Apartments, 5708 Kingsbury Place, St. Louis, MO 63112

**SIGNIFICANCE:** In advance of the DEA's National Prescription Drug Take Back Day on April 27, faculty and students from St. Louis College of Pharmacy will visit Winter Garden Apartments to collect unused or expired medications from residents. Representatives of the College and agents from the DEA St. Louis Division will go door-to-door, helping residents clear unwanted medications from their homes. The upcoming collection event at Winter Garden Apartments is one of six door-to-door events being hosted by the College and the DEA at senior living facilities across the city of St. Louis this week in advance of National Prescription Drug Take Back Day.

This year marks the eighth year that the College has partnered with the city of St. Louis and the DEA to host door-to-door medication take back events at area senior facilities. Since 2011, the events have resulted in the collection of thousands of pounds of medications, while also helping to increase community awareness about the importance of proper medication disposal and the role of medication disposal in preventing medication diversion, misuse and abuse.

On April 26, members of the media are invited to come to Winter Garden Apartments to see representatives of the College and the DEA in action as they collect medications from residents. College faculty and students and DEA representatives will also be available for onsite interviews to discuss the door-to-door collection event and additional medication disposal opportunities taking place as part of National Prescription Drug Take Back Day.

*Editor's note: Media that are interested in attending should contact Shelene Treptow to make arrangements. She can be reached at 618-420-9170 or via email at [shelene.treptow@stlcop.edu](mailto:shelene.treptow@stlcop.edu).*

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