

Disposal Practices of Unused and Expired Household Medicines

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Abstract: *Expansion of pharmaceutical industries and improved availability of pharmaceuticals across the world have contributed to an increase in drug usage and accumulation in homes. Improper disposal of expired and unused medications has several consequences such as environmental pollution, and childhood poisoning. The study revealed insufficient knowledge as well as inappropriate disposal practices of unused and expired medicines among residents of Murud - Janjira. There is need to organize a public enlightenment programme on safe, appropriate use, as well as disposal of unused and expired medicines.*

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