

Mott Poll Questions



Medications

The following questions were answered by parents with children age 0-18 years old.

Q1. Which over-the-counter medications do you have in your home right now?

	Yes	No	Unsure
a. Children's strength over-the-counter medication			
b. Adult (regular) strength over-the-counter medication			

Q2. Which prescription medications do you have in your home right now?

	Yes	No	Unsure
a. Children's prescription – currently being taken			
b. Children's prescription - leftover from old prescription			
c. Adult's prescription – currently being taken			
d. Adult's prescription – leftover from old prescription			

Q3. How often do you check the expiration date when giving your child an over-the-counter medication?

1. Always
2. Usually
3. Sometimes
4. Never

Q4. How long past the expiration date do you think it is okay to give your child an over-the-counter medication?

1. 1 month
2. 3 months
3. 6 months
4. 1 year or more
5. Never okay to give past expiration date

Q5. How much do you agree with the following?

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Disagree
a. It is unsafe to take medication past the expiration date.			
b. Medications are not as effective if they are past the expiration date.			

Q6. Have you disposed of any over-the-counter or prescription medicine in the past five years?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know

[if Q6=Yes]

Q7. How did you dispose of the medicine? *Select all that apply.*

1. Threw in trash
2. Flushed down toilet
3. Brought to medication drop box at pharmacy, hospital, or doctor's office
4. Other

Q8. A drug take-back event allows people to return unused prescription medications to the police station or other community location.

Have you ever brought medications to a drug take-back event?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know

[if Q8=No or Don't know]

Q9. Why haven't you brought medications to a drug take-back event? *Select all that apply.*

1. Never heard of this type of event
2. Location/times were not convenient
3. Heard about it too late
4. Too much hassle
5. Not necessary for most medications
6. Other

Q10. How much do you agree with the following?

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Disagree
a. I know which medications should not be flushed down the toilet.			
b. I know which medications should be mixed in with coffee grounds or kitty litter before putting in the trash.			
c. I am more careful about disposing leftover prescription medication than over-the-counter medications.			

Q11. Why is it important to properly dispose of medications? Select all that you think are important.

1. To protect the environment
2. To prevent children from getting into medicine
3. To prevent someone from taking expired medicine
4. None of the above

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