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NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK DAY: APRIL 27

SPOKANE, WA – This month, the NorthEast Washington Educational Service District (NEWESD) 101's Community Coalitions (part of Washington's Community Prevention & Wellness Initiative) will collaborate with local law enforcement, school and community-based partners to host **Medication Take Back events** across northeast Washington in recognition of National Prescription Drug Take Back Day.

Community members can drop off expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs, as well as vaping devices and cartridges at numerous locations throughout the region including:

April 13, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

• TALK 2 Healthy Choices Coalition: **Bi-Mart** (2221 1st St., Cheney, WA 99004). Contact: Jessica Deutsch, jdeutsch@esd101.net, 509-703-2802

• Note: This event is being facilitated in partnership with Cheney Clean Sweep, Cheney Library, Police Department, Eastern Washington University, Cheney Fire Department and Spokane County Fide District 3.

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• Shadle Coalition and West Spokane Wellness Partnership: **Shadle Walmart** (2301 W. Wellesley Ave. Spokane, WA. 99205). Contact: Sarah McNew, smcnew@esd101.net; 509-655-0161

• North East Support Team (NEST) Coalition: **NorthEast Community Center** (4001 N. Cook St Spokane, WA 99207). Contact: Lorrain Holokai, Iholokai@esd101.net, 509-703-0836

• East Valley Community Coalition: **Otis Orchards SCOPE Office** (4904 N. Harvard Road, Spokane Valley, WA). Contact: Kirsten Fuchs, kfuchs@esd101.net, 509-280-1889

• Substance Use Prevention Education & Resources (S.U.P.E.R) Colfax Coalition: **Colfax Library** (102 S Main St. Colfax, WA, 99111).

Note: This event is being facilitated in partnership with the Whitman County Health Department and Colfax Police Department. Contact: Sara Golden, sgolden@esd101.net, 509-280-2551

For more information, visit the NorthEast Washington Prevention website at https://www.new-prevention.com//

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About NorthEast Washington Educational Service District (NEWESD) 101

NEWESD 101 promotes educational excellence by delivering essential, cooperative services to 59 public school districts, 45 state-approved private schools and four charter schools across northeast Washington in Adams, Ferry, Lincoln, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Stevens and Whitman counties.

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