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## **THIRD NATIONAL TAKE BACK INITIATIVE** **TO BE HELD OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup>**

BUFFALO, N.Y.--U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul Jr. and Drug Enforcement Administration Resident Agent in Charge Dale Kasprzyk today announced the Western New York locations for the third National Take Back Initiative. Tomorrow, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 10:00A.M. to 2:00 P.M., the DEA will be collecting potentially dangerous prescription drugs that are unused or unwanted.

During the first two National Take Back events in September 2010 and April 2011, Americans turned in 309 tons of prescription drugs. Seven tons were collected here in Western New York.

The event is free and anonymous with no questions asked. The public can drop off expired, unused or unwanted prescription drugs which could be dangerous if left in the family's medicine cabinet.

"Prescription drug abuse is the nation's fastest growing drug problem and we here in Western New York are not immune to it," said U.S. Attorney Hochul. "Leaders in law enforcement, education, medicine, government and the community at large are working jointly to address this epidemic. These drug take back events are an important component of those efforts to keep prescription drugs from getting into the wrong hands, especially those of our young people."

"We all have another unique opportunity to contribute to the fight against prescription drug abuse by participating in the third National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day event," said DEA Administrator Michele M. Leonhart. "Americans overwhelmingly responded to the first two national Take-Back Day events, and we hope the October 29th event is no

different. With everyone's support, we can reduce the risk of prescription drug diversion and abuse, while increasing the awareness of this important public health issue.”

**The following is a list of local collection sites:**

Cazenovia Park Library, 155 Cazenovia St., Buffalo

True Bethel Baptist Church, 907 E. Ferry, Buffalo

St. Joseph’s Hospital, 2605 Harlem Rd., Cheektowaga

D’Youville College, 320 Porter Ave. Buffalo

West Seneca Senior Center, 4620 Seneca St., West Seneca

American Legion Post 1041, 533 Amherst St., Buffalo

Kenmore Mercy Hospital, 2950 Elmwood Ave., Kenmore

West Herr Collision Center, 5140 Camp Road, Hamburg

Millard Fillmore Suburban Hospital, 1540 Maple Rd., Williamsville

DeGraff Memorial Hospital, 445 Tremont St. North Tonawanda

Twin District Fire Department, 4999 William St., Lancaster

Mercy Ambulatory Center, 3669 Southwestern Blvd, Orchard Park

Grand Island Town Hall, 2255 Baseline Rd., Grand Island

Lockport Plaza, South Transit and Willow Streets, Lockport

South Jr. High School, 1300 Walnut Ave., Niagara Falls

Mt. St. Mary’s Hospital, 5300 Military Rd., Lewiston

Chafee Hospital, 224 E. Main St., Springville

Gowanda Village Municipal Building, 27 East Main St., Gowanda

Seneca Nation of Indians, Cattaraugus Indian Reservation Health Center, 36 Thomas

Indian School Drive, Irving

Pembroke Town Highway Barns, Routes 5 and 77, East Pembroke

Batavia Police Department, 10 W. Main St., Batavia

Arcade Police Station, 17 Church St., Arcade

Wyoming County Sheriff's Department, 151 North Main St, Warsaw

Alstar Hqs. North, 738 Monroe St., Dunkirk

LeRoy Police Department, 3 W. Main St. Le Roy

Fillmore Volunteer Fire Department, 20 South Genesee St., Fillmore

Brockport Police Department, 1 Clinton St. Brockport