



# Medication Amnesty

**28.01.19-01.02.19**

**Please return your unused or expired  
medication for safe disposal to  
Mowbray Square Medical Centre**

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Wasted prescription medicines cost nearly **£1 million** every year across Harrogate and Rural District.



**That's a hard pill to swallow**





## Based on average costs that money could pay for an extra:

- **1,058 days** of care in an Intensive Treatment Unit (ITU) for critically ill patients
- **1,764 days** of treatment in a Special Care Baby Unit for seriously ill babies
- **20,000** GP appointments
- **99,700** blood tests





Medicine waste is **everyone's responsibility** and there are small changes you can make to help reduce the amount of medicines being wasted.

These savings could be reinvested into more front line care and services for the benefit of all.



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## Unused medicines are a safety risk

- Return out of date medicines to your pharmacy for safe disposal
- If your medicines change – return your old medicines to the pharmacy for safe disposal to avoid mixing them up with your new medicines
- Don't stock pile medication



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during the week of

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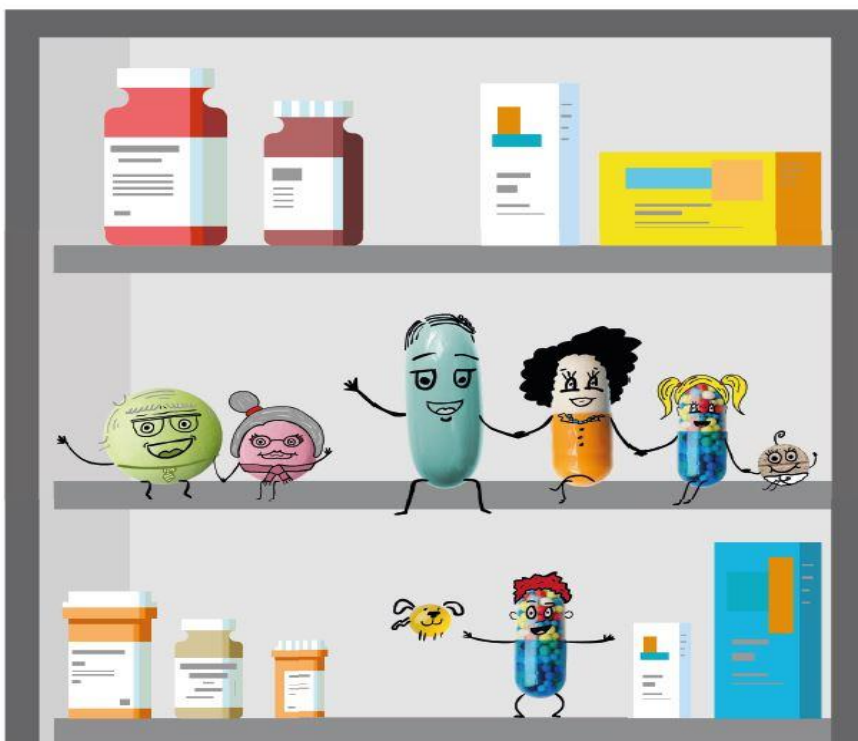
To Mowbray Square Medical Centre

Where our NHS staff will be available to discuss  
your medication with you

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## Everyone has a part to play to reduce medicines waste

If everyone makes small changes then together we can make a massive difference to reducing medicines waste and looking after our NHS.

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