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Media Advisory

Drug Enforcement Administration Houston Field Division To Announce The National Prescription Drug Take Back Campaign

The Houston Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Office along with state and local counterparts, community drug coalitions, local city officials and public health officials will announce the National Prescription Drug Take Back Campaign for the greater Houston Area.

The DEA will be hosting a news conference at **3:00 p.m., Tuesday Sept. 21, 2010**, to discuss participation in the National Prescription Drug Take Back Campaign. Come find out why this campaign is important to the quality of life here in Houston, our state and our Nation.

Prescription Drug Take Back Campaign
DEA Houston News Conference
Tuesday, September 21, 2010 at 3:00 p.m.
1433 West Loop South
Houston, TX 77027
1st Floor Training Room

The Campaign will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. September 25 at over 20 locations around the greater metro Houston area and at over 3,500 sites nationwide.

For local, state and national collection sites please visit www.dea.gov. For interested media, go to www.nationaltakebackday.com to download a public service announcement about the initiative.

Participants in the news conference will include DEA Acting Special Agent in Charge of the Houston Division Thomas E. Hinojosa, Harris County District Attorney Patricia R. Lykos, Houston Police Department Executive Assistant Chief Martha Montalvo, Harris County Sheriff Adrian Garcia, Bay Area Council on Drugs and Alcohol Director of Coalitions Mrs. Kristi Allen.

A display featuring over the counter medicines, prescription drugs and Houston's most abused prescription drugs will be available. Further, a demonstration of how the collection sites will operate and how easy it is for the community to drop off unused and unwanted medicines will be conducted.

For additional information regarding this event please contact DEA Public Information Officer S/A Wendell Campbell at 713-693-3747 or 281-802-2650.