

Think Safe, **Don't Waste**

Wasted and unused medicines cost the NHS over £300 million every year which equates to 10% of the NHS drug spend. Across North Central London, this means £16 million is wasted each year.

Unused medicines cannot be recycled

- Once medicines leave the pharmacy they cannot be recycled or used by anyone else
- Your local pharmacy can safely dispose of unused medicines

Unused medicines are a safety risk

• Unused medicines kept at home are a safety risk for children and others who might try to take them

Not sure what your medication does or why you are taking it?

Ask your GP or pharmacist to explain

Help us to cut waste

- Tell your GP or pharmacist if you have stopped taking any of your medicines
- When re-ordering your medicines, only tick those you really need
- If you need to go into hospital, please take all your medicines with you or a list of the medicines you are taking

If you don't take it, don't tick it. Unused medicines create waste. Only order what you need.



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