

Safe Medicine Disposal for San Francisco Deborah O. Raphael, Director





San Francisco's Concerns





Chapter One of the Environmental Code

The Precautionary Principle





Environmental Need





Public Safety Need





Where Does Medicine Go?





SF BOS Supports Producer Responsibility





Pilot Take-Back Program – First 33 Months





12 Independent Pharmacies





1 Community Center



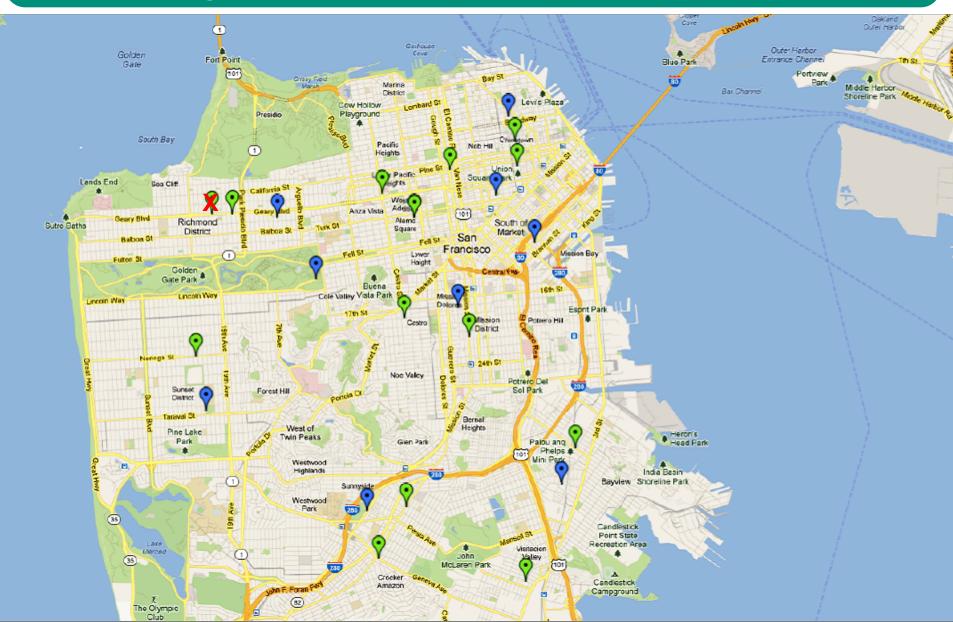


10 Police Stations





Pilot Program Drop-off Sites



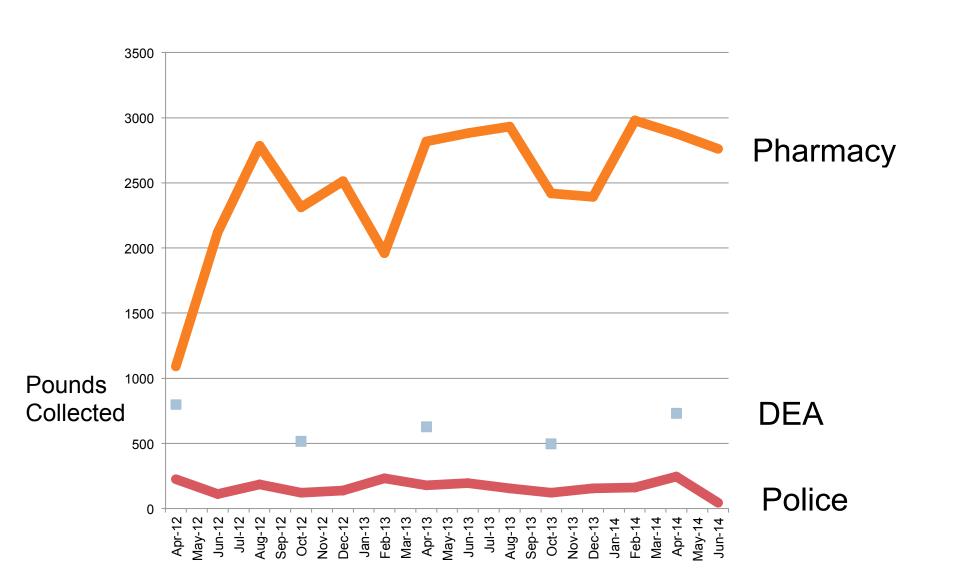


Two-Key Collection Bins





Residents Prefer Pharmacies





Industry Grant Funding was Helpful





Industry Grant Funding is Not Sustainable

Only 40% annual operating cost





New Ordinance is Introduced





Time Is Right for An Ordinance



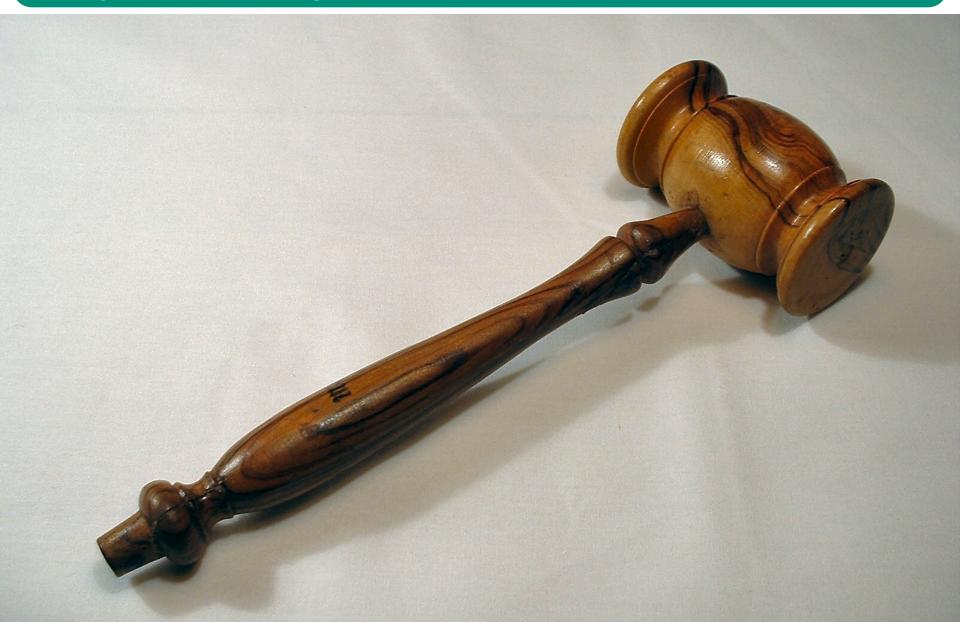


Pharmacy-Based Collection Works in SF



Legal Challenges Resolved in Govt's Favor







New Federal DEA Rules:



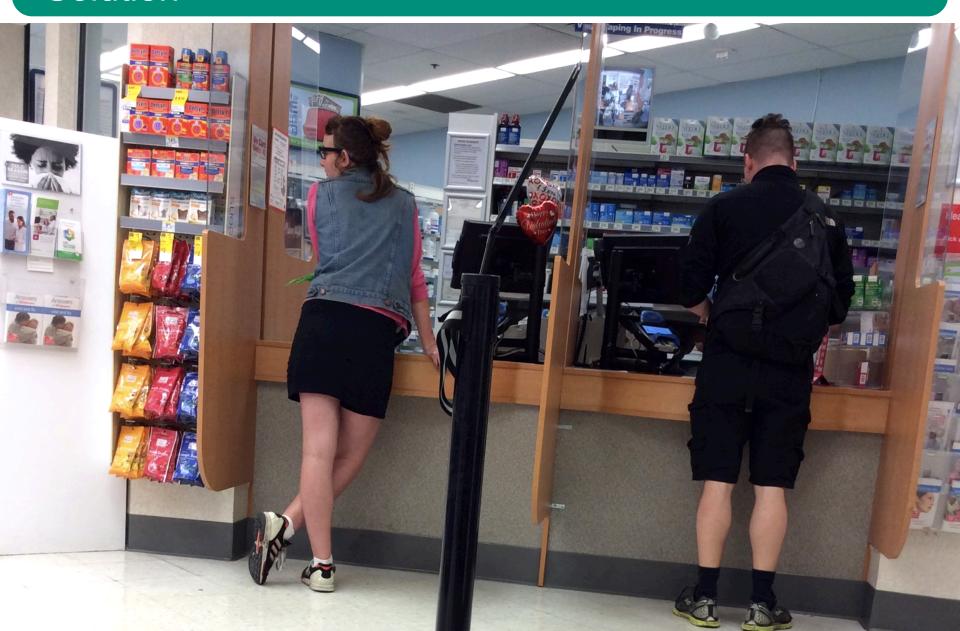


New Federal DEA Rules:



SF Residents Want Permanent & Convenient Solution





Statewide Legislative Solution in 2013-14...







Blocked by Industry





6 Stakeholder Meetings Since 2010





















Other Medicine EPR Programs in U.S.



Alameda County, CA

- Ordinance passed July, 2012
- Court challenge by 3 trade groups
- Federal Appeals Court confirmed (Sept 2014)
- Public hearing on 2 stewardship plans Feb 23



King County, WA

- Regulations passed June, 2013
- Program resumed following Appeals Court ruling
- 2 stewardship plans received Feb 12 for review



Home Disposal is Not a Safe Option





Take-Back is the Best Option



Take-Back Works!







How Will This Ordinance Work?





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Producers take responsibility as Stewards.

They organize and provide programs for safe collection and disposal of unwanted medicines.

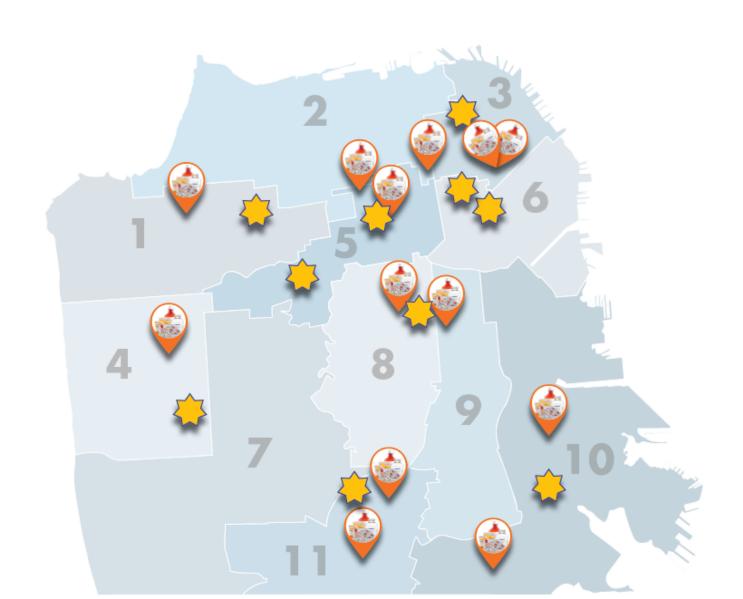
A written Stewardship Plan is reviewed and approved by the SF Department of the Environment.

Producers, or their representatives, operate a secure and convenient medicine collection system

With no direct cost to consumers, voluntary participation by pharmacies and law enforcement, and oversight by SFDOE



Double Collection Sites to 55





Convenience and Flexibility





Outreach Responsibilities



Toll free number & website

Readily-recognizable, consistent design of drop boxes and signage

Surveys of residents & healthcare professionals on awareness, convenience, and consumer attitudes

All outreach materials must be in English, Spanish, Chinese, Russian, & Tagalog



How Do We Measure Success?







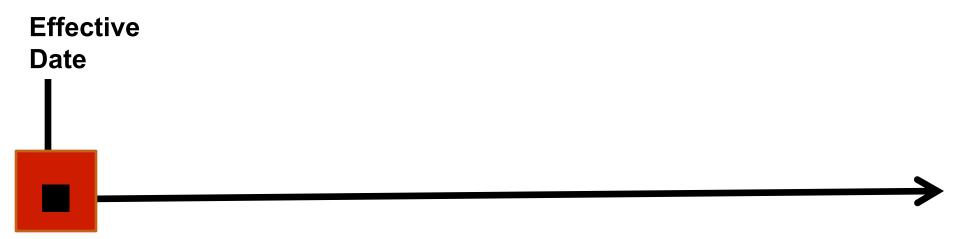


1. Technical Assistance

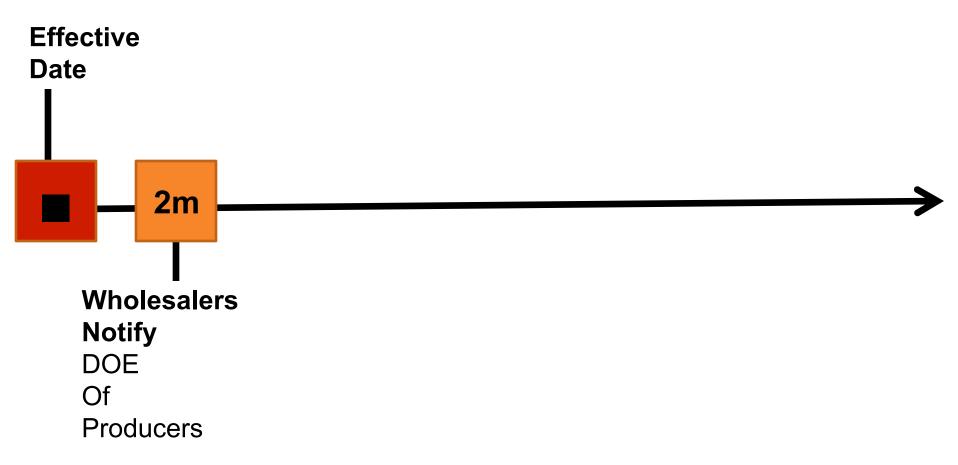
2. Plan Review

3. Enforcement

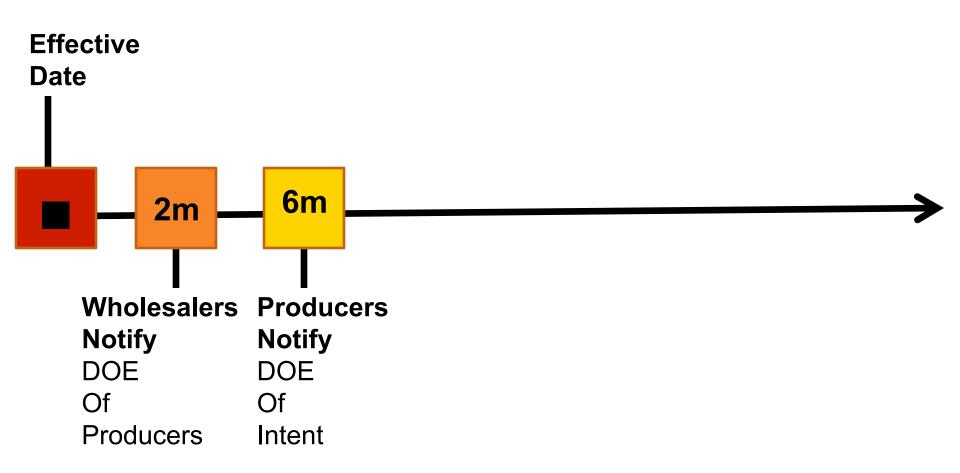




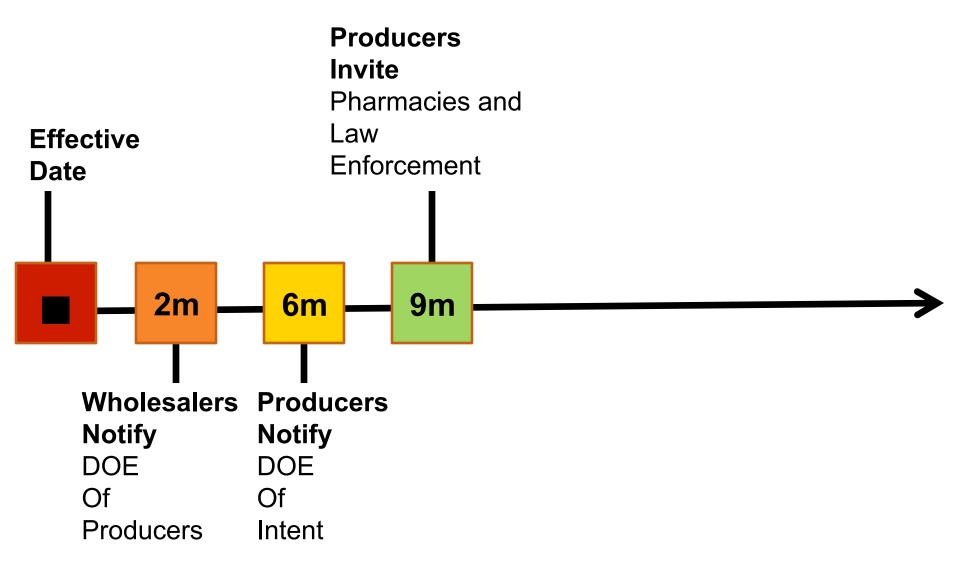




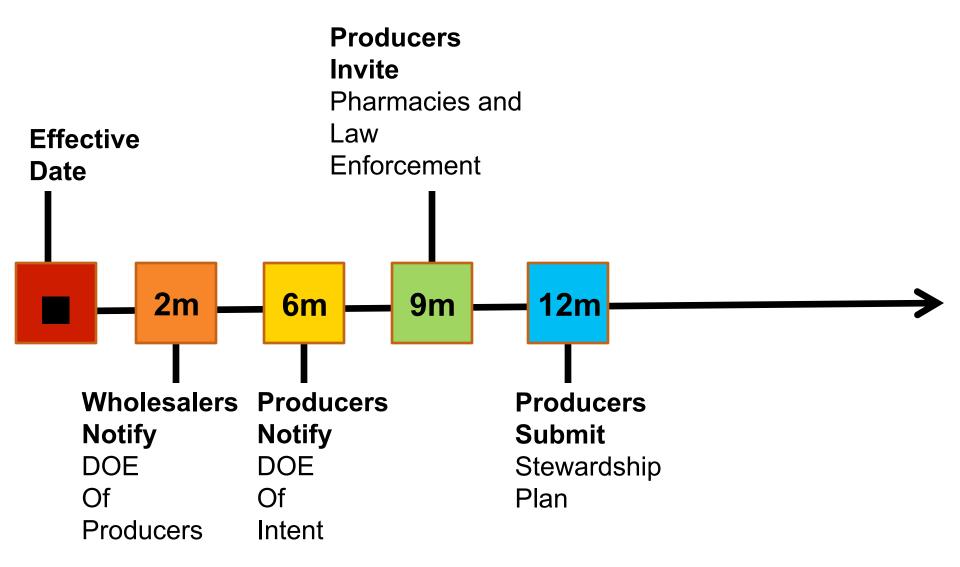




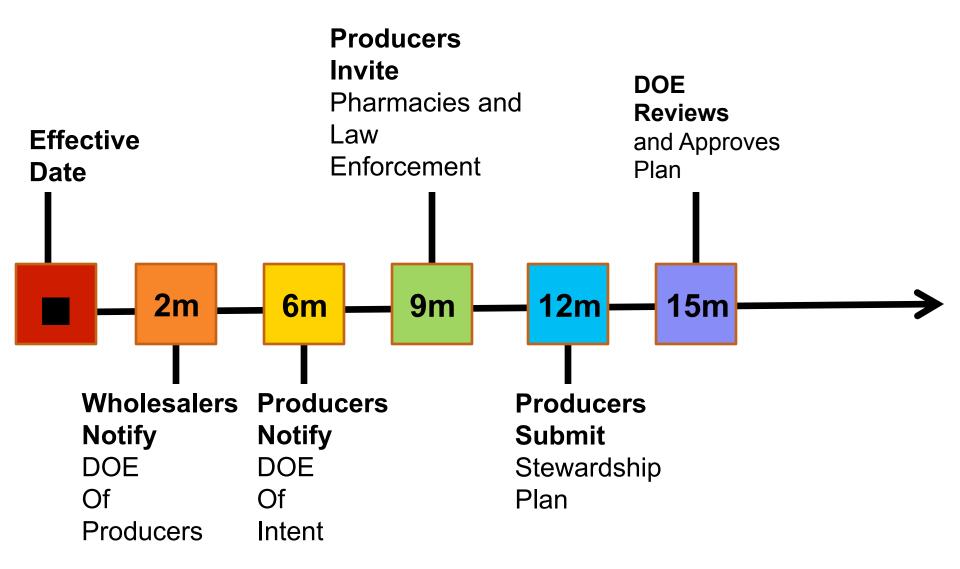




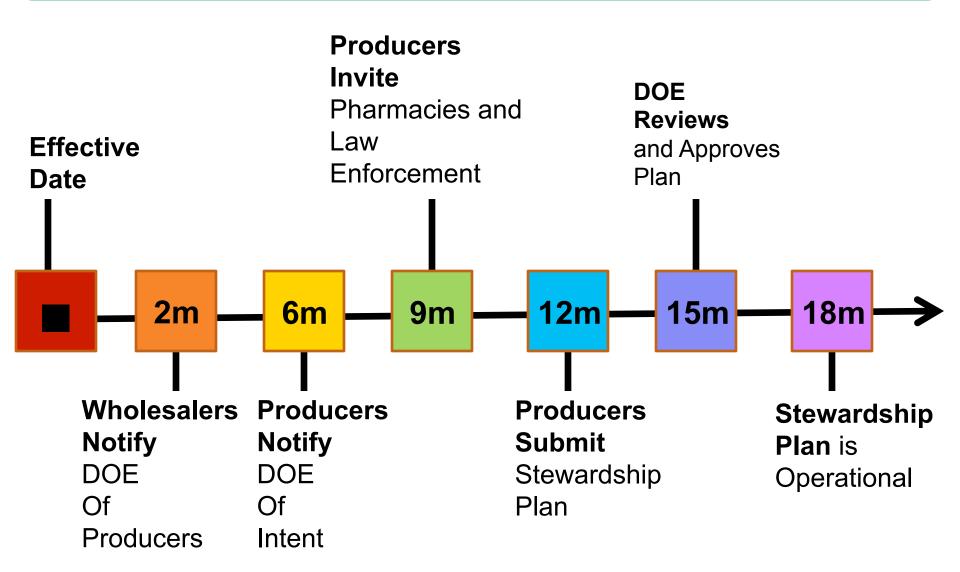














San Francisco's Opportunity

