

DISPOSAL OF MEDICINES

Reverse logistics step-by-step



DID YOU KNOW?

That expired or unused medicines should not be disposed of in the general waste because they can become a serious public health problem? Responsible disposal is conduct in line with ESG best practices and values, reducing the possibility of accidents and negative effects on the environment and the health of people and other living beings.

* PROCEDURE FOR DISPOSING OF EXPIRED OR UNUSED MEDICINES

Expired or unused medicines, as well as their primary packaging (blisters and bottles), must be separated from materials that have not had direct contact with the medicine, such as boxes and leaflets.

* MEDICINES AND PACKAGING MUST BE DELIVERED TO AUTHORIZED POINTS

Follow the instructions for separating and disposing of packaging. Then dispose of them separately at the locations indicated in the region where you live. Please note: all other components can be disposed of in normal waste!

* MEDICINES WITHIN THE EXPIRATION DATE

Some health institutions, such as hospitals and pharmacies, have programs through which they receive donations of medicines within the expiration date, which after validation are made available to patients. This is an ecological and socially efficient practice.

* SHARP MATERIALS MUST BE SEPARATED AND STORED IN SAFE CONTAINERS

They can be delivered to hospitals or health centers trained in this type of collection. Sites such as the Coleta Consciente program, or the Unidades Básicas de Saúde (UBS), can be consulted to ask questions about collection points.