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Yellow Jug Old Drugs Program Demonstrates Commitment to Clean Water and Safe Communities by Making Drug Disposal Inexpensive, Easy and Efficient.

***New Ordering/Shipping Process**

***New On-Demand Program**

The Yellow Jug Old Drugs Program (YJOD) operated by Great Lakes Clean Water/US Clean Water Org GLCW/USCW has welcomed the increased need for services to properly collect and dispose of Rx-Waste. Every year since the Program started in 2008, the average weight collected by pharmacies increases. In 2015 the average was 198.15 lbs. of drug waste (Rx-waste only no packaging). The number of participating pharmacies also continues to increase.

To respond to the increased need and to prepare for what YJOD believes will soon be an even greater increase, the YJOD Program is taking a major step to increase shipping capacity. This will provide customers with “Amazon-Like” sophistication in ordering, confirming and tracking orders for extra jugs and registering new locations. Orders now will be placed online at <http://www.yellowjugolddrugsprogram.com/>

This new ordering method will be the most time efficient for pharmacy staff and GLCW/USCW admin staff and is also the most cost-effective solution to meet the increased shipping demands. The new site will also be a portal to encourage donations from individuals. The YJOD Program is currently funded primarily by program fees from pharmacies. GLCW believes that support for RX-Waste collection programs should be a shared responsibility; Pharmacies, Pharmaceutical Companies and Consumers. GLCWUSCW is working actively towards that goal.

The goal of Great Lakes Clean Water/US Clean Water is to operate the Yellow Jug Old Drugs Program at the lowest cost, while providing extraordinary and professional customer service to encourage as many pharmacies as possible to participate.



“Instituting this new shipping method is another way of demonstrating our commitment to clean water and safe communities by making drug disposal inexpensive, easy and efficient.” states Chris Angel, President GLCW/USCW

Currently Pharmacies in Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana, Ohio, and North Dakota are able to participate in the YJOD Unlimited Weight program for only \$25 per month. Collection for the Unlimited Program is done in person, on-site at the pharmacy every six months. Additional states will soon be added to the Unlimited Program.

To meet the need for safe and approved Rx-Waste Collection and Disposal in areas not yet served by the Unlimited Program, Yellow Jug Old Drugs is now offering the On-Demand® option. Locations participating in the YJOD On-Demand Program will be provided a jug that holds 25lbs of Rx-Waste (equivalent to a 2-40 gal box of waste if packaging were collected). Collecting Rx-Waste without packaging is the most efficient, cost-effective and environmentally sound practice. The On-Demand® Jug is \$135 and available only for Non-Controlled Substances presently and can be used in pharmacies and other approved healthcare facilities. For more info <http://www.yellowjugolddrugsprogram.com/>

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