

## Safe Storage of Opioid Take-Home Medication

- Ensure all unused medication caps are on tightly and are stored in a locked metal lock box or another secure lockable location, like a safe
- Keep the lock box or safe out of reach of children and animals
- Never store the lock-box key with the lock-box
- Take only your daily dose, then lock up the rest of the medication for the day.
- Ensure all methadone bottles or cups used are rinsed until no hint of red color remains and then dispose of the bottle safely.
- Never re-use a methadone bottle after it has been opened.
- Talk to those in your home about the dangers of mis-using medication.
- A methadone overdose can lead to respiratory depression and death.

Your CompDrug counselor will be calling you weekly to check-in during the COVID-19 increased take-home time period. Be aware that the caller-ID will likely show an anonymous or a blocked number due to counselors calling from personal phones since they are working from home.

If you need to schedule with a counselor, please call CompDrug at 614-224-4506 and follow the prompts for scheduling. Your counselor will call you at your scheduled day and time.