

## New Training Center Opens for DEA Diversion Investigators

In December, DEA opened a new, state-of-the-art training facility featuring a mock pharmacy, doctors' offices, and narcotic treatment program. The new building gives students the opportunity to train in settings similar to those they will encounter upon graduation when they bring their skills to the field.

DEA Diversion Investigators go through a rigorous training prior to entering the field. The role of a Diversion Investigator is to enforce



the law on the manufacture, distribution, and dispensing of legally produced controlled substances to prevent drug diversion into the illicit market.

Think you have what it takes to join the ranks of those who protect the medical, commercial, and scientific needs of the public? Learn more about opportunities: <u>https://www.dea.gov/careers/diversion-investigator</u>.



## Make Every Day Take Back Day

You no longer have to wait for DEA's bi-annual National Prescription Drug Take Back Day to turn in unused, unwanted medications. As part of the Every Day is Take Back Day campaign, the community can dispose of old pharmaceutical drugs at locations nationwide.

As recently announced, DEA has registered a record number of authorized collectors – pharmacies and medical facilities – to collect unused and unwanted prescription drugs year-round. Since April 2017, DEA increased the number of year-round disposal locations from more than 2,200 to nearly 17,000.

Visit <u>https://www.dea.gov/everyday-takeback-day</u> and learn what you can do to stop drug misuse before it starts.

## **DEA's Diversion Control Division Launches New Website**

On Jan. 16, 2024, DEA launched a <u>redesigned website</u> to better educate the more than 2.1 million registrant community on its role and that of the DEA to keep communities safe through the diversion of controlled substances.

DEA registrants – medical practitioners, pharmaceutical manufacturers and distributors, researchers, and others – now have a new resource to get the latest news, regulations, and registration information.

The new site provides a user-friendly, efficient resource to maintain registrations; learn about training opportunities; and follow the latest in drug diversion news, policy, and regulations. The public, media, Congress, and others can get the latest news and information, further amplifying DEA's role in the diversion of controlled substance and work to keep communities safe.

Have feedback on the new website? Email your comments to <a href="https://www.odd.com">odt.diversionhelpdesk@dea.gov</a>



**DEA's Diversion Control Division** strives to prevent, detect, and investigate the diversion of controlled pharmaceuticals and listed chemicals from legitimate sources. When the safety and health of the American people is in jeopardy, DEA takes action against those who violate the law.

<u>eBay to Pay \$59 Million to Settle Controlled Substances Act</u> <u>Allegations Related to Pill Presses Sold Through its Website</u> Jan. 31, 2024

Read the latest on these enforcement cases and civil actions.