## Having a Party? Lock Up Your Medications!



When sold illegally on the street, a bottle of pain pills can be worth as much as \$1,000. So, if you are having a party, lock up your prescription drugs.



- To some, these medications can be as valuable as your jewelry, guns, or credit cards. Store the prescription drugs where no guests, children, or pets can get to them, such as in a locked cabinet or safe, and don't forget to secure medications that could be taken from nightstands, dresser drawers, and kitchen cabinets.
- Don't think it will happen to you? The number of people who stole prescription drugs from family and friends in 2012 was 1.7 times the number of people police arrested for robbery and burglary nationwide. Family and friends stole more than 100 million pills.



The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration supports the Preventing Prescription Abuse in the Workplace Technical Assistance Center. For more information, contact <u>PAW-TA@PIRE.org</u>. To join the PAW Listserv, visit <u>http://paw.dsgonline.com</u>, or simply scan the QR Code to the right.



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