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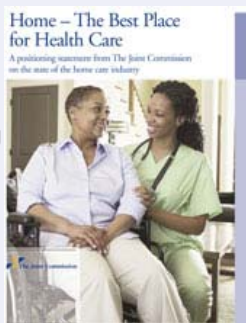
## Get Rid of Old or Unneeded Medication

**Saturday, April 30th** is the second annual **National Prescription Drug Take Back Day**. [Click here](#) to read Dennee Frey's new blog post about the potential danger to patients from keeping unwanted or expired prescription drugs around the house. Also find out how to locate National Take Back Initiative collection sites near your patients, or near you!



## The Joint Commission Recognizes CHAMP!

CHAMP is featured in The Joint Commission's new position paper, **Home – The Best Place for Health Care**. It highlights the key role that home care can play in making healthcare better and more affordable. Amy Berman, CHAMP's Program Officer at the John A. Hartford Foundation, discusses how evidence-based practices are central to home care's ability to help improve healthcare in our communities. CHAMP is specifically recognized for making resources available on our website, our e-learning activities, our use of social media, and our online community -- that includes you! [Click here](#) to read the report, and go to pages 8, 11, and 15 to see what they have to say about CHAMP!



## CHAMP Courses Start Monday

CHAMP's **Geriatric Medication and Pain Management courses** start on Monday, April 25th. Don't miss out on the opportunity to learn something new from the comfort of your desktop (or wherever you can bring your laptop)! Just click on the course name to learn more and **sign-up**.

### [Geriatric Medication Management](#)

- \$149 (\$109\*)/ participant

### [Geriatric Pain Management](#)

- \$149 (\$109\*)/ participant

*\* This rate applies to member agencies of: California Association for Health Services at Home, Georgia Association for Home Health Agencies, Home Care Alliance of Massachusetts, Home Care Association of Florida, Home Care Association of New Hampshire, Home Care Association of New York State, Home Care Association of Washington, Kentucky Home Health Association, MHA: An Association of Montana Health Care Providers, New Mexico Association for Home and Hospice Care, and Pennsylvania Homecare Association*



## April Survey Winner!

This month's tool survey winner is Judie C. Blackmore, the Director of Day Kimball HomeCare in Putnam, Connecticut. **Congratulations Judie!** Our next drawing will be on Monday, May 16th. If you haven't already, share your thoughts about one of the [tools](#) in our Resource Library by filling out [this quick survey!](#) For each tool you review, you get a separate entry into our drawing for a **\$50 Amex giftcard**.

## E-Learning Activities

Sign-up for one of our one-unit e-learning activities right away! In just a few hours, you can learn valuable skills and earn CE hours! Click on the course name to learn more and register.

[Developing Strong Home Care Teams](#)  
\$49 (\$35\*)/ participant

[Improving Communication with Physicians](#)  
\$49 (\$35\*)/ participant

[Best Practice Activities](#)  
\$10 per activity or sign-up for all three for just \$25

\*With eligible discount

## Free E-Presentations

Watch CHAMP e-presentations anytime! Each one is developed and narrated by an expert on the topic. Take a look today!

[Considerations in Geriatric Medication Management](#)

[The Model for Improvement: Small Tests of Change and Using PDSA Cycles to Drive Improvement](#)

[Clinical Coaching with CHAMP Tools](#)

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