

MEDICINES WASTE

Did you know that wasted medicines costs the NHS across Hambleton, Richmondshire and Whitby nearly **£1 million every year?**

Once medicines leave the GP practice or pharmacy, they cannot be re-used. Per year, that money could pay for:

1,058 days of care in an Intensive Treatment Unit (ITU) for critically ill patients

5,389 outpatient appointments with a Consultant

1,764 days of treatment in a Special Baby Care Unit for seriously ill babies



20,000 GP appointments

99,700 blood tests

20 community nurses

16,363 hearing tests

600,000 inhalers for asthmatics

Please help to save NHS resources. Only request medicines on prescription you really need, when you really need them.

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