



July 2016 – Organizing your Bathroom Cabinets and Drawers

When was the last time you took the time to look under your bathroom sink and took inventory of what is there? A lot of times, we have moved items to the back of the cabinet because we no longer like them.

A few months ago, we had a leak under the cabinet sink and it must have been leaking for awhile, because the cabinet had warped. I took the items from under the sink and looked at what we still used and their expiration dates. It is helpful if you have a few small containers, shoeboxes, or plastic containers that you can separate the items into categories:

- Cleaning supplies
- Paper Products
- Medication
- Makeup
- Toiletries
- Haircare
- Towels/Facecloths

Once you have finished under the sink, move to your drawers. It is helpful to use drawer dividers to help separate the different categories. I have found it helpful to use a few extra makeup bags for the different categories. I have a small traveling case that I have converted into something where my extra supplies are kept – such as extra lipsticks and eyeshadows.

I also have a toiletry bag that I use for my travel. I have bought travel sizes of hairspray, shampoo, conditions, lotion, body wash, nightlight, flashlight, air freshener, contact case and extra set of contacts, chapstick, hair ties, travel toothbrush, toothpaste and dental floss. Having this bag ready to go has made it very helpful. If I am running low on an item, I leave myself a post-it note so when I need it for the next trip I already have it written down.

Here are few websites to help you organize your medicine cabinet:

<http://www.goodhousekeeping.com/home/organizing/g2691/how-to-organize-your-medicine-cabinet/?slide=2>

http://mashable.com/2014/08/09/diy-medicine-cabinet-organize/#oM5KEQ5_mqP

<http://www.realsimple.com/home-organizing/organizing/organizing-bathroom/medicine-cabinet-organizer>

Happy Organizing!

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