

SHARPS DISPOSAL



SHARPS INCLUDE:

- ✓ Needles and insulin pen tips
- ✓ Lancets used for testing blood sugars
- ✓ Syringes
- ✓ Insulin infusion sets for insulin pumps
- ✓ Needles used for CGM or FBG devices

You can also put used and unused medication such as insulin pens and cartridges into your sharps container for proper disposal.

DO NOT DISPOSE YOUR SHARPS WITH THE REGULAR GARBAGE!

Sharps pose a serious hazard to the workers who collect garbage and to the environment

HOW TO DISPOSE:

- ✓ Visit your local pharmacy to receive an approved sharps container (free of charge)
- ✓ Carefully place your sharps in the container, DO NOT OVERFILL
- \checkmark When the container is fill, permanently close the container
- \checkmark Do not throw your container in the curb-side garbage pick up
- \checkmark Take the full, secured container to the pharmacy and exchange it for a new container
- ✓ Pharmacies will <u>not</u> accept any other container except an approved sharps container
- ✓ The Health Products Stewardship Association will handle the sharps in an environmentally friendly manner

