

## **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

