

OptiMed Health Partners is committed to providing high quality care for our patients throughout their treatment course. In order to ensure our patients' safety, we have attached a flyer with information on the proper disposal of sharps and sharps containers. If you have questions or want to know where you can dispose of your sharps containers, please feel free to call OptiMed Toll-Free at (877) 232-2857, or call Safe Needle Disposal at (800) 643-1643 or visit SafeNeedleDisposal.org. Thank you for choosing OptiMed!

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DO NOT PUT LOOSE SHARPS IN THE TRASH



7 BILLION SHARPS ARE DISCARDED IN THE TRASH EVERY YEAR.

Up to 850,000 people are injured every year by sharps that are not discarded properly. Used sharps can cut people, infect them, and spread disease.



USE A SHARPS CONTAINER

These are sharps

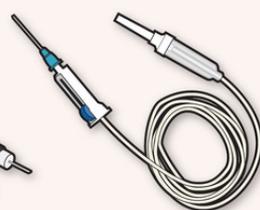

Syringes


Needle connectors


Lancets


Needles


Auto injectors


Infusion sets

WARNING

Needle stick injury can expose you to infectious diseases such as Hepatitis and HIV. TO AVOID INJURY...


Do not force sharps into container


Do not put fingers inside container


Do not remove needle


Do not bend or break needle


Do not recap needle

KEEP YOUR COMMUNITY SAFE

DO NOT throw loose sharps in trash



DO NOT put sharps in recycling



DO NOT flush sharps down toilet



KEEP OUT of reach of children



If not disposed of properly, sharp devices are hazardous to both humans and animals alike. Improper sharps disposal can spread infections and cut people, which can lead to severe illnesses and diseases. Please see the reverse side for proper disposal of a used sharps container.

Pictured below are directions for the proper use of a sharps container and how to dispose of the used sharps container. If you have any questions on how to use the sharps container or if you need a new (FREE) sharps container, please call OptiMed Health Partners. If you are unsure where to dispose of your sharps container, please call OptiMed Health Partners so we can help.

Use a Sharps Container

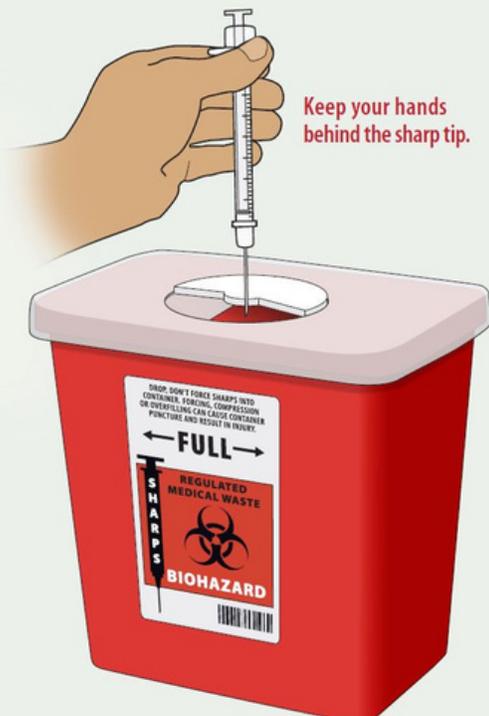
- 1 Visually check sharps container for hazards before handling. Read all labels.

MAKE SURE
container is not overfilled or damaged.

CHECK
that container is large enough to fit your sharp.



- 2 Put sharp in container immediately after use.



Discard a Sharps Container

Stop using sharps container when 2/3 full or filled to FULL line.



- 1 Close sharps container as instructed on label.

Different containers have different closures.



- 2 Bring sharps container to a sharps disposal program.



Find a program through your local waste or public health department, your doctor, veterinarian, hospital or pharmacist.

TYPES OF SHARPS DISPOSAL PROGRAMS:

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|  | Mail-back program |  | Drop box or supervised collection site |
|  | Special waste pick-up service |  | At-home needle destruction device |
|  | Syringe exchange program (SEP) |  | Hazardous waste collection site |

For information about rules and laws in your community, contact the Coalition for Safe Community Needle Disposal at 800.643.1643. For more information on sharps visit fda.gov/safesharpsdisposal or safeneedledisposal.org.