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Illinois Sharps Disposal Community Outreach Toolkit

SAFE SHARPS DISPOSAL IS SIMPLE

Provided by members of the Pharmaceutical Product Stewardship Work Group, MyOldMeds.com identifies free, easy, and convenient ways to properly dispose of home-generated medicines and sharps.

LOCATOR TOOL: FIND A DISPOSAL SITE NEAR YOU

Many cities and counties offer sharps disposal programs. Find a drop-off location for your home-generated sharps at MyOldMeds.com.



SHARPS DISPOSAL GUIDANCE

For All 50 States

MyOldMeds.com highlights the importance of proper sharps disposal, featuring state-specific guidelines for all 50 states.

MyOldMeds.com's searchable database lists sharps drop-off locations in pharmacies, law enforcement agencies, government offices, and healthcare facilities.

Always follow your state's guidelines and properly dispose of used sharps. Learn more at MyOldMeds.com/Sharps

HOW TO DISPOSE OF SHARPS

Most states allow properly-sealed sharps containers to be placed in the household trash. If this is not permitted in your area, many options exist.

Visit MyOldMeds.com/sharps for your state's guidelines.



Put used sharps in a **heavy-duty, plastic container**. Never throw loose sharps in the trash, recycling, or toilet.



When the container is about three-quarters (3/4) full, put the lid on, seal it with duct tape, and label: **DO NOT RECYCLE**.



Use our locator to find a disposal site near you or dispose of the container in your **household trash**.* *Do not recycle the container.*



What type of containers can be used for sharps disposal? If available, use an FDA-cleared sharps container.** Otherwise, a heavy-duty plastic household container, such as a laundry detergent container, can be used as an alternative.



*Check your local regulations at MyOldMeds.com/Sharps. If your area does not permit disposal in the household trash, then follow the guidance of your state or locality.



** Scan the QR code for more information on FDA-cleared containers.



Social Media Templates

Available for Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and Instagram; these graphics and suggested text templates are a great way to quickly and frequently demonstrate your support for safe disposal in your community. Contact info@ppswg.org for high resolution graphics.

Safe sharps disposal in Illinois is easy!

Learn more at MyOldMeds.com/Sharps/Resources/Illinois

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Unsure of where to dispose of your sharps? @MyOldMeds provides safe disposal guidance and a locator tool for container disposal options for Illinois residents. Visit MyOldMeds.com/Sharps/Resources/Illinois for more information! #MyOldMeds

Illinois:
Do you know how to safely dispose of sharps?

It's easier than you think!
Learn more at: MyOldMeds.com/Sharps/Resources/Illinois

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Do you have used or unneeded sharps? It's easy and safer to get rid of it right away. @[Legislator Name] supports @MyOldMeds, the nation's largest database of safe and convenient drug and sharps disposal options. MyOldMeds.com/Sharps/Resources/Illinois provides state-specific guidance on how to safely dispose of your sharps in Illinois, and a locator tool to help find container disposal locations near you. #MyOldMeds

Illinois:
Sharps don't belong in the recycling

Learn how to safely dispose of sharps: MyOldMeds.com/Sharps/Resources/Illinois

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