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Massachusetts 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](https://www.myoldmeds.com/sharps)

HOW TO DISPOSE OF SHARPS

Massachusetts residents must take sealed containers of used sharps to a drop-off site or arrange a mail-back service.

Visit [MyOldMeds.com/sharps](https://www.myoldmeds.com/sharps) for disposal options in your area.



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 contact your local health department or solid waste department. *Do not dispose of the container in your household trash or recycling.*



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.



** 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 Massachusetts is easy!

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

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Unsure of where to dispose of your sharps? @MyOldMeds provides safe disposal guidance for Massachusetts residents. Visit MyOldMeds.com/Sharps/Resources/Massachusetts for more information! #MyOldMeds

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

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

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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/Massachusetts provides guidance on how to safely dispose of your sharps and a locator to help find container disposal options in Massachusetts. #MyOldMeds

Massachusetts: Sharps don't belong in the trash or recycling

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

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