

Sharps disposal

What is sharps disposal?

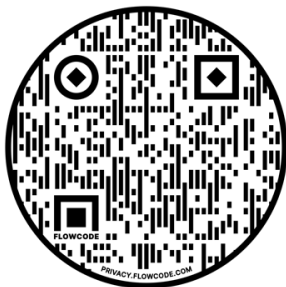
It is the safe way to throw away sharp objects like syringes, lancets, or needles.

Why is it needed?

To protect people from sharp objects. It also keeps the earth clean and safe.

What are the steps?

1. Use your medicine or device as instructed.
2. Throw them into the sharps container right away. Do not put the cap back on needles or pre-filled syringes.
3. Fill the container up to the fill line on the outside of the container. Do not fill above the line.
4. Close the lid when the container is filled or you are ready to return it. Once the lid is closed, it cannot be re-opened.
5. Find a place to return or exchange the container:
 - Go to The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources website.
<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/HealthWaste/HouseholdSharps.html>



- Use this QR code to get to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources website.

Special information

- If you don't have a sharps container, you can use any hard plastic container with a lid.

ALERT: Call your child's pharmacist or doctor if you or your child have any concerns related to using this teaching sheet or have special health care needs not covered by this information.

This sheet was created to help you care for your child or family member. It does not take the place of medical care. Talk with your healthcare provider for diagnosis, treatment, and follow-up.