



## SAFE SHARPS DISPOSAL

Dispose of sharps by using a household container or an FDA approved sharps container.

FDA APPROVED SHARPS CONTAINER	HOUSEHOLD SHARPS CONTAINER
<p><b>Use an FDA approved sharps container for proper disposal of needles, lancets, or pen needles.</b></p>  <p><b>FDA sharps containers for use at home and travel are available at pharmacies or online.</b></p>	<p><b>Use an empty, thick plastic laundry soap bottle with a screw on lid.</b></p>  <p><b>Tape container shut with heavy duty tape when the bottle is 3/4 full at most.</b></p>

Do	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <b>Do</b> put the needle end in first immediately after use</li> <li>✓ <b>Do</b> keep the lid on at all times</li> <li>✓ <b>Do</b> keep all sharps disposal containers out of reach of children and pets</li> <li>✓ <b>Do</b> take a portable sharps disposal container with you when you travel</li> <li>✓ <b>Do</b> follow your community rules for getting rid of your container</li> <li>✓ <b>Do</b> follow directions for disposal as explained on FDA sharps container</li> </ul>
Do NOT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ <b>Do NOT</b> throw loose needles and sharps in the trash</li> <li>✗ <b>Do NOT</b> flush needles and sharps down the toilet</li> <li>✗ <b>Do NOT</b> put needles and sharps in the recycling bin</li> <li>✗ <b>Do NOT</b> put needles and sharps in a clear or thin plastic container</li> <li>✗ <b>Do NOT</b> put needles and sharps in a glass or aluminum container</li> <li>✗ <b>Do NOT</b> remove, bend, break-off or recap needles and sharps</li> </ul>