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SHARPS COLLECTION PROGRAM

The Franklin County Solid Waste District manages a program for the collection and disposal of residential needles and lancets.

Two sizes of sharps box are available at the sites listed below: 1 gallon and1 quart. The District office also carries a travel size.

Sharps boxes may be picked up and dropped off at:

* Franklin County Waste District, 117 Main St., Greenfield. Hours vary 772-2438
* Deerfield Board of Health, 8 Conway St., So. Deerfield Monday 9-1
* Greenfield Health Department, 20 Sanderson St., Greenfield. M-F 9-4
* Heath Town Nurse, 1 East Main St., Heath. Tues. 12:15-1:15 & Thurs. 11-1
* Montague Board of Health, 1 Avenue A, Turners Falls. Wed. 10:30-12:30

Call first 413-863-3200 ext. 205

* New Salem Board of Health, 19 So. Main St., New Salem. By appt: 978-544-9673
* Orange Board of Health, 62 Cheney St., Orange. M-Th 8-1
* Rowe Town Nurse, 321 Zoar Rd., Rowe. Monday 12-4 & Thursday 8-4
* Shelburne Falls Fire District, 121 State St. Monday-Thursday 8-12
* Whately Health Center - Dr. Jones, 181 State Rd, Whately. Tuesday 9-12

Did you know that 600,000 to 800,000 needlestick injuries occur in the U.S. annually?

Healthcare workers, recycling and sanitation workers all suffer when needles are disposed of improperly. This free program allows residential users of needles and lancets to dispose of them safely and legally. In Massachusetts, it is against the law to throw sharps in the trash.

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For more information, contact the Solid Waste District office: 413-772-2438.

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