

WHERE TO DISPOSE OF YOUR SHARPS

Dispose of containers only at Community Sharps disposal facilities:

✓ Hospitals



✓ Participating pharmacies



✓ Local Councils



Check with your local disposal facility that larger containers are accepted.

WHERE NOT TO DISPOSE OF YOUR SHARPS:

✗ Do not dispose of sharps in the bin



SAFE DISPOSAL OF COMMUNITY SHARPS REDUCES THE RISK OF HARM TO OTHERS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

WHERE IS MY LOCAL SHARPS DISPOSAL FACILITY?

On the Safe Sharps website you can search for your nearest Safe Sharps disposal locations, get directions to the facility and view its opening hours.



www.safesharps.org.au

To get more information visit



diabetesnsw.com.au/helpful-resources/resources/sharps-disposal or call Diabetes NSW & ACT on 1300 342 238



Together in health by Aunty Deanna Schreiber

In the painting, the center circle represents Diabetes NSW & ACT as a health service. The smaller circles are the Aboriginal communities, with feet representing those in the community heading to the health service for support and education. The two half circles are Aboriginal Elders and the blue symbolises the salt water people.



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SAFE DISPOSAL OF DIABETES SHARPS

all you need to know



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WHAT ARE COMMUNITY SHARPS?

They include:

Syringes 

Pen needles 

Lancets (finger prickers) 

Insulin pump infusion set
cannula insertion needles 

Continuous Glucose
Monitor equipment 

WHAT TO PUT USED SHARPS IN:

- ✓ An Australian Standard Sharps container



- ✓ A strong plastic container with a screw top cap



WHAT NOT TO PUT USED SHARPS IN:

- ✗ Glass and cardboard are **NOT** safe



- ✗ Tins are **NOT** safe



- ✗ Plastic soft-drink/water bottles are **NOT** safe

