

What to Do with Used Sharps

Sharps refer to: needles, syringes, lancets, auto injectors, including epinephrine and insulin pens, infusion sets, and connection needles/sets.

Check www.SafeNeedleDisposal.org for local guidance on sharps disposal.

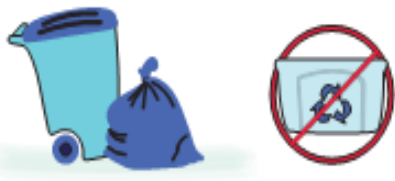


Put used sharps in a strong, plastic container.

When the container is 3/4 full, put the lid on, seal it with duct tape and label DO NOT RECYCLE.



Put the plastic container in the household trash—**don't recycle!**



Containers of used sharps cannot be placed in the household trash in California, Massachusetts, and Seattle, Washington. Visit SafeNeedleDisposal.org for more information on safe sharps disposal in your area.

CONFIDENTIAL SERVICES

ANONYMOUS WALK-IN **FREE** **SYRINGE ACCESS** **& DISPOSAL**

EVERY THURSDAY

3:30 PM-4:30 PM

630 Progress St. West Branch

For additional clinic hours visit our website at www.dhd2.org

Help stop the spread of disease.

ONE NEEDLE
ONE SYRINGE
ONE TIME.



Reduce Risk, Prevent Disease, Improve Health

Mission Statement: To reduce risk, prevent disease, and address the health issues of communicable diseases such as HIV, Hepatitis A, B, and C, and opioid overdose in individuals. This is accomplished by providing access to the knowledge, tools, information, and support that individuals need to make better health choices. We promote the empowerment of individuals to make positive changes in their lives and in their communities.

Services are always confidential!

- Sterile needles, syringes, and other supplies
- Safe disposal containers for needles and syringes
- Rapid HIV testing (20 minutes!) and linkage to care
- Education about overdose prevention and safer injection practices
- Referral to substance use disorder programs and a variety of community resources
- Education and tools to prevent HIV, STD's, and viral hepatitis including counseling, condoms, and vaccinations

THE ABC'S of HEPATITIS

“Hepatitis” Means Inflammation of the liver and also refers to a group of viruses that infect the liver.



FACTORS OF A OVERDOSE

If you have not used in a few days.....

DECREASED TOLERANCE & PREVIOUS OVERDOSE

- ◆ Use less than usual
- ◆ Do tester dose
- ◆ Change Route
- ◆ Non fatal overdose in the past, increases the risk of a fatal overdose in the future

DANGER= Mixing uppers & downers

MIXING DRUGS & QUALITY

- ◆ Use one drug at a time
- ◆ Use less of each drug when mixing
- ◆ Test the strength of the drug before you do the whole amount.

If you overdose, no one can help you.

USING ALONE & MAKING A PLAN

- ◆ Use safely with someone
- ◆ Know your limit
- ◆ Make sure help can get to you
- ◆ Make a overdose plan with friends or drug partners

A B C

HOW IS IT SPREAD?



Through food or water that has been contaminated by fecal material	Blood or body fluids	Direct blood to blood contact
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IS IT PREVENTABLE BY VACCINATION?

YES, A vaccine is available , Call to set up a appointment	YES, A vaccine is available, Call to set up a appointment	NO, Prevention and Treatment are Key
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Free or Low-Cost

Birth Control

- Pills, Shots, IUD's, & Implant
- Emergency Contraception
- **FREE** condoms
- STD Testing and Treatment
- Male & Female Exams
- Pregnancy Testing



WHAT IS HIV?

HIV infection is a long term illness that damages the body's immune system, or its ability to fight off diseases.

HOW IS IT SPREAD?

Having vaginal, anal, or oral sex without a condom.



Sharing needles or works when injecting drugs.



Passed from mother to child during pregnancy, birth or breastfeeding.



SHOULD I GET TESTED?

CDC(Center of Disease Control and Prevention) recommends that everyone

age 13-64 get tested.

DHD NO.2 offers **FREE** confidential / anonymous **RAPID** HIV testing.

Call to set up an appointment