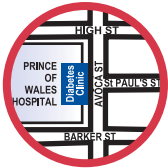


**Approved Sharps Disposal Containers
are available from
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**WHAT YOU NEED
TO KNOW ABOUT
COMMUNITY
SHARPS
DISPOSAL**



**Important information
from Diabetes Australia-NSW**



Sharps disposal containers available from Diabetes Australia-NSW



Finger prickers (lancets), pen needles and syringes should **NOT** be placed in your household recycling bin, waste bin or public litter bin. Always make sure your sharps are secured in a strong plastic container, for example:

- ✓ An Australian Standard sharps container
- ✓ A puncture-resistant plastic container with a screw top.
- X Glass containers are **NOT** recommended

What are "community sharps"?

Community sharps are medical devices that penetrate the skin and are used in the home.

They include:

- Needles - used to give injections, draw blood or insert insulin pump tubing
- Syringes (even if needle removed)
- Pen needles for insulin pens
- Blood glucose or finger pricker lancets

How do I dispose of my community sharps?

Place sharps in an appropriate container. Dispose of containers only into community sharps disposal facilities at:

- Participating pharmacies
- Community sharps disposal bins
- Public hospitals

Diabetes Australia-NSW has a listing of statewide services. Phone **1300 136 588** for information in your area. A list of pharmacies providing sharps collection is available on our website www.diabetesnsw.com.au click on "About Diabetes", then, "Living Well with Diabetes", then "Sharps Disposal". If you are unable to locate your local sharps disposal facility, call **Diabetes Australia-NSW** on **1300 136 588** or your local council.

Proper disposal of community sharps reduces the risk of harm to others and the environment