

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



Sharps Collection Programs for Michigan Residents

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County	Program	Phone	Contact	Program Description
All Counties	Safe Needle Disposal	N/A	www.safeneedledisposal.org	Recommendations and links for proper needle disposal, including mail-back programs.
All Counties	BD Sharps Disposal By Mail (BD, Sharps Inc.)	(877) 927-8363	Sharps Compliance 9050 Kirby Dr. Houston, TX 77054	Mail-back sharps disposal systems. Full sharps containers are sent to company via postal mail where they are decontaminated and disposed of.
All Counties	Safe Medical Systems Mailback Sharps Disposal Service	(877) SAFEMED (723-3633)	Safe Medical Systems Atlanta, GA 30359	Mail-back sharps disposal systems. Full sharps containers are sent to company via postal mail where they are decontaminated and disposed of.
All Counties	Waste Management Healthcare Solutions – Safe Solutions for Sharps and Medical Waste Web Site: Healthcare.wm.com MedWaste Tracker Catalog: http://www.wm.com/wm/services/healthcare/pdf/medwastecatalog.pdf	(866) 931-6321	WM Healthcare Solutions Inc., A Waste Management Company 1021 Main Street 10 th Floor Houston, Texas 77002	Waste Management Company Statement: “Waste Management offers a variety of MedWaste Tracker SM sharps mail return systems that are convenient, easy to use, and approved by relevant governmental agencies. WM offers a solution for residents, healthcare facilities, clinics, and pharmacies. Consumer puts medical waste in postage-paid packaging via instructions provided and gives it to USPS. Waste is taken care of in accordance with all applicable regulations, and documentation of safe disposal is provided.”
Alcona	Northeast Michigan Recycling Alliance Authority Resource Recovery Facility	(989) 354-9870	Mary Dunckel MSU Extension	Properly contained sharps are accepted for a fee at the HHW station on M-32 West, just outside the city of Alpena.

Alger	Munising Memorial Hospital	(906) 387-4110	Christi Salo, R.N., Risk Manager E-Mail: csalo@mmhos.org	Residents of Alger County may bring their sharps containers to Munising Memorial Hospital at 1500 Sandpoint Road in Munising for disposal. Please call or e-mail first.
Allegan I	Allegan County Resource Recovery	(269) 673-5415	Mary Jones Allegan County Resource Recovery	Collection containers free from Health Department or purchased at local pharmacies. Full containers, labeled with name and address of resident, are taken to the Health Department for disposal by medical waste company.
Allegan II	Michigan Career and Technical Institute, Health Services	(269) 664-9564	Bruce Brenn R.N., L.R.T.	Residents of Barry and Allegan counties (no businesses) may bring their full “commercially approved” medical sharps containers to the Health Services department at the Michigan Career and Technical Institute (MCTI) 11611 W. Pine Lake Rd. Plainwell, MI 49080. We can not accept containers without prior arrangements being made, so please call between the hours of 10:00 am and 4:00 pm Monday through Friday to schedule a drop off time.
Alpena	NE Michigan Recycling Alliance Authority Resource Recovery Facility	(989) 354-9870	Mary Dunckel MSU Extension	Properly contained sharps are accepted for a fee at the HHW station on M-32 West, just outside the city of Alpena.
Antrim	Torch Lake Veterinary Clinic	(231) 331-6461	Adrienne Waffle, DVM	Residents of Antrim County may bring their used, home-generated sharps containers (must be in approved puncture-proof sharps containers) to Torch Lake Veterinary Clinic at 11991 SE Torch Lake Rd. in Alden, MI. Please call first. This service is strictly for residentially generated sharps and not for businesses.
Arenac	Andrew Dwan, D.D.S., Standish Family Dental Center	(989) 846-4090	Sarah or Amanda	Residents of Arenac County may bring their used, home-generated sharps containers (must be in approved puncture-proof sharps containers) to the office of Andrew Dwan, D.D.S., Standish Family Dental Center at 206 S. Main St. in Standish, MI. Please call first. This service is strictly for residentially generated sharps and not for businesses.

Baraga	Western U.P. District Health Department	(906) 482-7382	www.westernuphealth.org	Residentially generated sharps accepted at all offices (Hancock, L'Anse, Bessemer, and Ontonagon). Sharps must be in puncture-proof containers (sharps container, coffee cans, detergent bottles, etc.). Visit website for contact info.
Barry I	Magnum Health and Rehab of Hastings	(269) 945-9564	Gary Fuelling, Administrator	Residents of Barry County may bring their used, home-generated sharps containers (must be in approved puncture-proof sharps containers) to Magnum Health and Rehab of Hastings, located at 240 E. North St. in Hastings, MI. Please call first. This is strictly for residentially generated sharps and not for businesses.
Barry II	Michigan Career and Technical Institute, Health Services	(269) 664-9564	Bruce Brenn R.N., L.R.T.	Residents of Barry and Allegan counties (no businesses) may bring their full "commercially approved" medical sharps containers to the Health Services department at the Michigan Career and Technical Institute (MCTI) 11611 W. Pine Lake Rd. Plainwell, MI 49080. We can not accept containers without prior arrangements being made, so please call between the hours of 10:00 am and 4:00 pm Monday through Friday to schedule a drop off time.
Bay I	Bay County Environmental Health Division Household Hazardous Materials Disposal and Mercury Thermometer Exchange	(989) 895-4006	http://www.baycounty-mi.gov/Health/HouseholdHazardousMaterialsDisposal.aspx	Call for availability and schedule of events.
Bay II	Northern Bay Ambulance	(989) 239-5042	Paul Jacques, EMT-P, Director	Residents of Bay County may bring their filled sharps containers (generated from home use only) to Northern Bay Ambulance, located at 325 Libby Street in Pinconning for free disposal.

Benzie	Paul Oliver Memorial Hospital Residential Sharps Collection	(231) 352-9631	Hospital Laboratory	Paul Oliver Memorial Hospital in Frankfort provides free sharps containers and disposal to residents of Benzie County. Sharps containers may be picked up at the hospital laboratory and brought back to the laboratory for disposal when full. Sharps must be properly contained to be accepted for disposal.
Berrien	Berrien County Household Hazardous Waste Collections	(269) 983-7111 Ext. 8234	Jill Adams, Berrien County Resource Recovery jadams@berriencounty.org	Home generated medical waste accepted at nine different times during the year. Call with questions.
Branch	City of Coldwater HHW Collection	(517) 279-9531	Paul Beckhusen Director Coldwater Board of Public Utilities	HHW collections occur once every two years, generally in October of odd numbered years. Accept properly contained sharps from residents of Coldwater only. Contact your local health department, physician, pharmacy, or hospital for options outside of Coldwater.
Calhoun	Calhoun County Solid Waste Department Sharps Disposal by Mail System	(269) 781-9841	Tiffany Eichhorst Solid Waste Director	Residents of Calhoun County are entitled to one free mail-back sharps container annually, available at several pharmacies around Calhoun County. Additional containers are available for a \$5 co pay. When full, the containers are mailed to Sharps Compliance, Inc. for proper treatment and disposal. Please contact the Department for a full list of participating pharmacies.
Cass	Michigan State University Extension of Cass County Sharps Collection	(269) 445-4438 or rajzer@msu.edu	Dan Rajzer, Cass County Extension Director	Properly contained sharps will be accepted from residents of Cass County at the annual Household Hazardous Waste collection. Please contact first for details.
Chippewa	War Memorial Hospital Sharps Collection	(906) 635-4460	Jane McCloud	Properly contained sharps (sharps containers and laundry detergent bottles) are collected and incinerated. Free for Chippewa County Residents. Please call first.

Clinton	Clinton County/Granger Landfill Sharps Collection http://207.75.96.11/waste/SyringeCollectionProgram.htm	County: (989) 224-5186 Granger: 888-9-GRANGER	County: Clinton County Dept. of Waste Management Granger: Phil Mikus	Residents of Clinton County may pick up free sharps containers from several pharmacies in Clinton County and bring properly contained sharps to the Granger Office. They will be directed to a special collection container for properly contained sharps. Please call first.
Crawford	Crawford County Household Hazardous Waste Collection	(989) 275-3163	Barb Stauffer, Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District Administrator & Roscommon County Solid Waste Recycling Coordinator	Collection held annually in June in Grayling. Residents of Crawford County may bring properly contained sharps to collection.
Delta	Delta County Landfill www.dswma.org	(906) 786-9056	Don Pyle Manager	Accept properly contained sharps from county residents for disposal. Place in a sharps container or laundry detergent bottle with "sharps" written on bottle and bring to landfill.
Eaton	Eaton County Department of Resource Recovery Sharps Disposal Program	(517) 543-7500 Ext. 3686	Lisa Lafferty Eaton County Department of Resource Recovery	Eaton County residents are allowed three (3) mail-back sharps containers per year from participating pharmacies. The first container is free and the remaining two containers are available for a \$5 co-pay. When full, the containers are mailed to Sharps Compliance, Inc. for proper treatment and disposal. Please contact the Department for a full list of participating pharmacies.
Emmet	Emmet County Recycling Center and HHW Drop-Off Site	(231) 348-0660	Same	Please call first. There is a small fee to dispose of sharps. Located at 7363 Pleasantview Road, Harbor Springs MI 49740.
Genesee I	Genesee County EMS Sharps Collection Program for Residents	(810) 762-9139 Ext. 3	Kieth Rumbold, Operations Manager	Residents of Genesee County (no businesses) may bring their full sharps containers to the Genesee County EMS, located at 2732 Flushing Road in Flint, Michigan. Residents may also receive a free small sharps container for proper disposal.

Genesee II	Linden Pharmacy Patient Sharps Collection	(810) 230-8300	Lisa or Amanda	Patients of Linden Pharmacy receive sharps containers with their home injection supplies. When the container becomes full, patients may return the full sharps container to the pharmacy for proper disposal. No commercial businesses or individuals possessing containers not supplied by Linden Pharmacy.
Gladwin	Mid-Michigan Medical Center – Gladwin	(989) 246-6294	Dana Garafalo	Sharps containers may be purchased from the hospital for a small fee and brought back when full for proper disposal. This service is for residents of Gladwin County to assist in proper sharps disposal.
Gogebic	Western U.P. District Health Department	(906) 482-7382	www.westernuphealth.org	Residentially generated sharps accepted at all offices (Hancock, L’Anse, Bessemer, and Ontonagon). Sharps must be in puncture-proof containers (sharps container, coffee cans, detergent bottles, etc.). Visit website for contact info.
Grand Traverse I	Pharmacy Sharps Disposal—Check for Availability	(231) 941-5555	Grand Traverse Co Recycle Hotline	Containers are purchased from the facilities and the disposal is included in the purchase price.
Grand Traverse II	Thompson Pharmacy, Inc.	(231) 947-4212	Same	Containers can be purchased for \$4.95 each. When full, they can be brought back to the pharmacy for disposal. The pharmacy is located at 324 South Union Street in Traverse City.
Hillsdale	Hillsdale Community Health Center	(517) 437-4451	Front Desk/ Switchboard	Residents of Hillsdale County (no businesses) may bring their full sharps containers to the front desk/switchboard area of Hillsdale Community Health Center, located at 168 South Howell Street in Hillsdale, for free disposal.
Houghton	Western U.P. District Health Department	(906) 482-7382	www.westernuphealth.org	Residentially generated sharps accepted at all offices (Hancock, L’Anse, Bessemer, and Ontonagon). Sharps must be in puncture-proof containers (sharps container, coffee cans, detergent bottles, etc.). Visit website for contact info.
Ingham	Ingham County Medical Sharps Disposal Program	(517) 887-4521	Ingham County Health Department	Residents of Ingham County may bring their sharps containers to the Ingham County Health Department for free disposal.

Ionia	Sparrow Ionia Hospital	(616) 523-1400	George Rutherford, VP/COO	Residents of Ionia County may bring their sharps containers to Sparrow Ionia Hospital, located at 479 Lafayette Street, Ionia, for free disposal. Please call first.
Isabella	Isabella County's "Bee Smart" Program http://beesmartsharps.org	(989) 773-9631	Marnie Basney Isabella County Recycling Environmental Education Specialist recycling@isabellacounty.org	Residents of Isabella County receive free sharps containers from several participating businesses. When full, the containers may be brought to one of several secure drop boxes around the county for proper disposal (fire department, health facilities). Check website for container pick-up and drop-off sites or call for info.
Kent	American Medical Response	(616) 459-8228	Front Staff or Dale Feldhauser, Director of Operations	American Medical Response, located at 517 South Division in Grand Rapids, will accept full sharps containers from residents of Kent County (no businesses) during normal business hours (8am-5pm). Please call first.
Keweenaw	Western U.P. District Health Department	(906) 482-7382	www.westernuphealth.org	Residentially generated sharps accepted at all offices (Hancock, L'Anse, Bessemer, and Ontonagon). Sharps must be in puncture-proof containers (sharps container, coffee cans, detergent bottles, etc.). Visit website for contact info.
Lake	Osceola-Lake Conservation District HHW Collection	(231) 832-2950	Kathy Fischer Osceola-Lake Conservation District	HHW collections are held every year on the second Saturday in October. Properly contained sharps labeled with contents will be accepted for disposal. Available to residents of Lake, Osceola, and Mecosta Counties only.
Lenawee	Wheelock's Pharmacy	(517) 263-7175	Pharmacy Staff	Residentially generated sharps (in sharps containers) are accepted at the pharmacy. The charge is \$5 for a small container, \$10 for a medium container, and \$20 for a large container. There is a \$2 discount for disposal if the container is purchased at the pharmacy. The pharmacy is located at 700 E. Church St. in Adrian.

Livingston	Livingston Co. Waste Reduction http://co.livingston.mi.us/SolidWaste/hhwCollections.htm	(517) 545-6958/(517) 545-9609	Livingston County Solid Waste Management	Website contains info and directions to a permanent HHW collection center where properly contained sharps are accepted.
Luce	Helen Newberry Joy Hospital and Healthcare Center	(906) 293-9189	Hospital Laboratory	Laboratory gives residents of Luce County free sharps containers. When full, they are returned for a new container.
Macomb	Elite Trauma Clean-Up	(586) 954-4881	Rich Vettraino, Owner	Residents of Macomb County may bring their full sharps containers to Elite Trauma Clean-Up, located at 43686 North Gratiot in Clinton Township for disposal. Please call first between the hours of 1-3pm Monday-Friday only.
Manistee	Manistee County Medical Care Facility	(231) 723-2543 Ext. 101	Linda Duchon, Administrator	Residents of Manistee County may bring their filled sharps containers (generated from home use only) to the Manistee County Medical Care Facility, located at 1505 East Parkdale Avenue in Manistee for free disposal. Please call first.
Marquette	Marquette County Residents http://mcswma.com/hhw.html	(906) 249-4108	Marquette County Solid Waste Authority	Accepts home generated medical waste through the operation of a grant-funded household hazardous waste collection program. Collections occur at different sites May through October. Please call or visit website.
Mecosta I	Osceola-Lake Conservation District HHW Collection	(231) 832-2950	Kathy Fischer Osceola-Lake Conservation District	HHW collections are held every year on the second Saturday in October. Properly contained sharps labeled with contents will be accepted for disposal. Available to residents of Lake, Osceola, and Mecosta Counties only.
Mecosta II	Mecosta County Medical Center	(231) 796-8691	Laboratory	Mecosta County Medical Center will accept properly contained sharps from residents of Mecosta County, and will provide a free container if needed. Call directly or stop by the facility and have them direct you to the laboratory.

Missaukee	Missaukee Conservation District Household Hazardous Waste Collection Website: http://www.missaukeecd.org/Recycling.htm	(231) 839-7193	Missaukee Conservation District	Missaukee Conservation District (MCD) offers a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day yearly. Accept residential sharps at collections. Contact MCD to inquire on next scheduled event.
Monroe	Mercy Memorial Hospital Sharps Collection	(734) 240-5808	Brad Stotz Director of Lab Services	Accept home-generated sharps in approved containers. Please call first.
Montcalm	Montcalm County HHW Collections	(989) 831-7500	Dixie Ward MSU Extension	Two HHW collections per year. Properly contained sharps will be accepted. Call for brochure.
Montmorency	Northeast Michigan Recycling Alliance Authority Resource Recovery Facility	(989) 354-9870	Mary Dunckel MSU Extension	Properly contained sharps are accepted for a fee at the HHW station on M-32 West, just outside the city of Alpena.
Newaygo	Newaygo County HHW Collection	(231) 689-7225	Cindy Sullivan	HHW collection annually in June. Accept home-generated sharps. Please contact office for more information.
Oakland I	SOCRRA Communities http://www.socrra.org/waste.html	(248) 288-5150	SOCRRA	Residents of Berkley, Beverly Hills, Birmingham, Clawson, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Huntington Woods, Lathrup Village, Oak Park, Pleasant Ridge, Royal Oak, and Troy can utilize SOCRRA for home-generated sharps disposal.
Oakland II	Bloomfield Township Medical Sharps Curbside Pick-up	1-800-796-9696	Waste Management	Sharps containers purchased for \$7.95 each from Waste Management. When full, place next to regular trash for pickup. Call Waste Management each time you need a new sharps container.
Oakland III	NOHAZ Communities	(248) 858-5656	NOHAZ	Properly packaged sharps are accepted from residents of the following communities: Brandon Twp, Commerce, Groveland, Lake Orion, Oakland, Orchard Lake, Orion Twp, Ortonville, Oxford, Oxford Twp, Pontiac, Rochester, Rochester Hills, Waterford, White Lake, and Wolverine Lake. Call for info.

Oceana	Hackley Lakeshore Hospital	(231) 861-3009	John DeMorrow	Properly packaged sharps are accepted for collection by the hospital. Bring sharps to hospital and ask for Maintenance Department to drop off sharps.
Ontonagon	Western U.P. District Health Department	(906) 482-7382	www.westernuphealth.org	Residentially generated sharps accepted at all offices (Hancock, L'Anse, Bessemer, and Ontonagon). Sharps must be in puncture-proof containers (sharps container, coffee cans, detergent bottles, etc.). Visit website for contact info.
Osceola	Osceola-Lake Conservation District HHW Collection	(231) 832-2950	Kathy Fischer Osceola-Lake Conservation District	HHW collections are held every year on the second Saturday in October. Properly contained sharps labeled with contents will be accepted for disposal. Available to residents of Lake, Osceola, and Mecosta Counties only.
Oscoda	NE Michigan Recycling Alliance Authority Resource Recovery	(989) 354-9870	Mary Dunckel MSU Extension	Properly contained sharps are accepted for a fee at the HHW station on M-32 West, just outside the city of Alpena.
Ottawa	Ottawa County Health Department Sharps Collection Program	(616) 494-5569	Ottawa County Health Department	Health Department offers free home-use medical sharps containers to residents. Stop by any Health Department branch to pick up container and bring back when full to receive a new one. Only Ottawa County Health Department issued containers will be accepted.
Presque Isle	Northeast Michigan Recycling Alliance Authority Resource Recovery	(989) 354-9870	Mary Dunckel MSU Extension	Properly contained sharps are accepted for a fee at the HHW station on M-32 West, just outside the city of Alpena.
Roscommon	Roscommon County Household Hazardous Waste Collections	(989) 275-3163	Barb Stauffer, Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District Administrator & Roscommon County Solid Waste Recycling Coordinator	Residents of Roscommon County may bring properly contained sharps to household hazardous waste collections, which are available twice per year. Please call for specific dates.

Saginaw	City of Saginaw Curbside Collection	(989) 781-9555	Mid-Michigan Waste Authority	Put sharps in a purchased sharps container or an empty laundry detergent bottle. When the container is full, tape the lid down with duct tape or packing tape. Label the container with the words "MEDICAL WASTE" or "SHARPS". Place next to regular trash for pickup.
Saint Clair I	Clay Township Fire Department – Algonac	(810) 794-9347	Daryl Dupage, Fire Chief	Residents of Saint Clair County may bring their filled sharps containers (generated from home use only) to the Clay Township Fire Department, Algonac Station #1, located at 9620 Ainsworth Road in Algonac for free disposal.
Saint Clair II	Clay Township Fire Department – Harsen’s Island	(810) 894-9347	Daryl Dupage, Fire Chief	Residents of Saint Clair County may bring their filled sharps containers (generated from home use only) to the Clay Township Fire Department, Harsen’s Island Station #2, located at 254 Lacroix in Harsen’s Island for free disposal.
Saint Clair III	Ira Township Fire Department	(586) 725-7771	Mike Holt, Fire Chief	Residents of Saint Clair County may bring their filled sharps containers (generated from home use only) to the Ira Township Fire Department, located at 7065 Meldrum in Fair Haven for free disposal.
Saint Clair IV	Marysville Fire Department	(810) 364-6611	Thomas Konik, Chief of Department	Residents of Saint Clair County may bring their filled sharps containers (generated from home use only) to the Marysville Fire Department, located at 1355 Delaware Avenue in Marysville for free disposal.
Shiawassee	Shiawassee County HHW Collection	(989) 743-2259	Larry Johnson Registered Sanitarian	Residents of Shiawassee County are encouraged to take properly contained sharps to HHW Collections.
Schoolcraft	Schoolcraft Memorial	(906) 341-3232	Catherine Flores Infection Control	Properly contained sharps are accepted by the hospital. The hospital will provide a container that can be brought back to the facility when full.

Washtenaw I	Washtenaw County Sharps Disposal Sites http://www.ewashtenaw.org/government/departments/planning_environment/dpw/sharps_html	(734) 222-3827	Dan Moody Solid Waste Coordinator	Website contains 11 drop off sites for sharps along with instructions for proper packaging. Drop off sites are located in 6 communities in Washtenaw County.
Washtenaw II	Lane Animal Hospital	(734) 475-8696	Donna Lane, Office Manager	Sharps accepted from residents of Washtenaw County at Lane Animal Hospital located at 701 N. Main St. in Chelsea. Call first.
Wayne	Wayne County Department of Environment	(734) 326-3936	Land Resource Management Division	Contact regarding availability of local household hazardous waste (HHW) collections that offer sharps collection for residents.

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