

# Mercyhealth Pharmacies Sharps Collection Program

for everyone's safety



Wisconsin law requires that sharps (syringes, needles, lancets) be separated from general household trash, and rendered noninfectious and unusable before being placed in a landfill.

## What to put in your sharps container

Only used hypodermic needles, lancets and syringes with attached needles. Gauze, cotton swabs and other medical wastes should not be placed in the container.

## About sharps containers

1. A sharps container is made of red, rigid plastic and has a locking lid to safely hold used sharps for disposal.
2. Follow all directions provided with the container, taking care not to overfill it.
3. When the container is full, close or cap the opening as directed. The lid is designed to lock when closed tightly; after the lid is locked, you will not be able to reopen it.
4. It is illegal to put this container in the trash.

### Cost of sharps containers at Mercyhealth Wisconsin pharmacies

**Mercyhealth Pharmacy, East-Janesville\***  
Cost: FREE

**Mercyhealth Pharmacy, Mall-Janesville\***  
Cost: FREE

**Mercyhealth Pharmacy, West-Janesville\***  
Cost: FREE

**Mercyhealth Pharmacy-Milton**  
Cost: \$5

**Mercyhealth Pharmacy-Walworth**  
Cost: Large container \$5; small container \$2

\*Mercyhealth Janesville pharmacies participate in the City of Janesville's sharps disposal program. Janesville residents can bring in their full sharps containers and get a free replacement container.