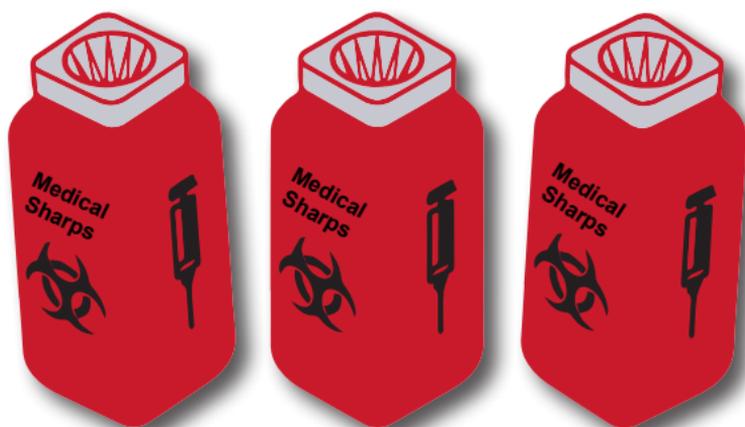


Making a Good Point About Medical Sharps



How can Leon County residents safely dispose of medical sharps, such as needles, syringes and lancets?

Residents can pick up a free sharps container at two health department locations. When the container is full, return the closed box and receive a new one at no charge.

**Florida Health Department
in Leon County Sites:**

872 West Orange Avenue
1515 Old Bainbridge Road
(850) 606-8150



Unwanted Medicines Don't Belong Down the Drain

Flushing unwanted medicines down the toilet or pouring them down a drain can contaminate surface and ground waters.

Check with your pharmacy about a take-back program. There is a solid medicine drop-off site at the Tallahassee Police Department, 234 East 7th Avenue.

Here are some tips from the Leon County Hazardous Waste Center for safe medicine disposal:

1. Keep medicine in original container
2. Mark out personal information
3. Add water or soda to dissolve pills and add an absorbent to liquid medicine such as cat litter
4. Close lid, secure with heavy tape
5. Put bottles in a can or box
6. Place in household garbage



Leon County Hazardous Waste Center

Monday - Saturday, 8 AM - 5 PM

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