

## *Attention Vineland Residents...*

**Please remember to  
use these guidelines  
for correct disposal of  
syringes at home!**

***Proper disposal of syringes at home  
is simple and important!***

- 1.** Place used syringes into an empty, puncture-proof container such as a coffee can, soda bottle or mayonnaise jar. *It is preferable to bend the tip of the needle back.*
- 2.** Replace the lid or cap on the container and secure with strong tape (such as duct tape) to prevent accidental opening. *Syringe containers do not need to be labeled.*
- 3.** Place in non-clear trash bags or cans for curbside City collection. *Do not put the syringe container in with your recyclables.*

***NOTE: Disposal of home-used  
syringes is governed by law.  
Improper disposal will lead to legal  
action when necessary to protect our  
trash collectors, children, and all  
residents of the community.***



***Do not dispose of syringes with your  
trash unless properly contained!***



City of

**Vineland**

New Jersey

*If you have questions please call —*

**Vineland Health Department: 794-4131**

**Division of Solid Waste Management: 794-4089**



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## Safe Syringe Disposal Program

According to the State of New Jersey, people who use syringes, needles, lancets, and insulin pump supplies for medical conditions must follow certain steps for safety. These items are considered home medical waste.

Improper disposal of home medical waste is a threat to many in the surrounding community.

Although rare, diseases such as Hepatitis B and AIDS can result from accidental needle sticks. Loose syringes thrown into your household trash can be misused if they fall into the wrong hands. These items can also harm small children, pets, wildlife and sanitation workers.

Most townships accept home medical waste as part of the regular trash collection. For NJ State Guidelines, please see N.J.S.A. 2A:170-25.17.

[https://nj.gov/health/ceohs/documents/phss/safe\\_syringe\\_disposal.pdf?\\_gl=1\\*ypewqe\\*\\_ga\\*MTQwNjk4OTE2Ni4xNjc5Mzky\\*\\_ga\\_5PWJJG6642\\*MTY3MzI3OTM5Mi4xLjEuMTY3MzI3OTQyOS4wLjAuMA..](https://nj.gov/health/ceohs/documents/phss/safe_syringe_disposal.pdf?_gl=1*ypewqe*_ga*MTQwNjk4OTE2Ni4xNjc5Mzky*_ga_5PWJJG6642*MTY3MzI3OTM5Mi4xLjEuMTY3MzI3OTQyOS4wLjAuMA..)

For city or town guidelines, contact your local municipality.

### General Guidelines

Guidelines for Using Syringes, Lancets and Pump Supplies and other home medical waste:

- Do not recap syringes/needles after being used. If possible, snip the tip from needles with an approved needle-clipping device (available at pharmacies).



- Carefully drop used syringes/ needles into a disposable container such as a laundry detergent bottle or heavy gauge plastic bottle.
- Containers should be shatter-proof, leak-proof, puncture-proof, with a screw-top lid.
- Full containers must be secured with screw-top lid, and then the lid secured again with heavy tape, such as duct tape.
- Place containers in the trash **NOT** with recyclables.
- Keep disposable containers out of reach of small children and pets.
- Do not share needles, syringes, or finger lancing devices with anyone.

*Please be advised that Inspira Health does **NOT** accept home medical waste/syringes from homes.*

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