

# RED SHARPS CONTAINER DISPOSAL PROGRAM



Biohazardous waste must be disposed of according to federal, state and local regulations. Used needles and other contaminated sharps must be placed in a closeable, puncture-resistant, leak-proof container that is red in color or marked with a biohazard label.

Never dispose of needles in household recycling or garbage bins! This may cause problems ranging from placing other residents and waste management workers at health risk, to clogging lift stations in the sewer system. Sharps can transmit Hepatitis, AIDS and other fluid-borne pathogens.

## The Florida Department of Health in Lake County

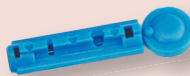
now has three locations where residents may pay \$15 to safely dispose of biohazardous medical waste, such as



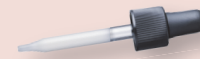
Syringes with attached needles



Scalpel blades



Disposable lancets



Pipettes contaminated with body fluids

The following locations are open between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday through Friday. Residents will receive a new red sharps disposal container.

### *New Location*

Florida Department of Health in  
**CLERMONT**

875 Oakley Seaver Drive,  
Clermont, 34711  
(352) 989-9001

### *New Location*

Florida Department of Health in  
**LEESBURG**

2113 Griffin Road,  
Leesburg, 34748  
(352) 360-6548

### *Also*

Florida Department of Health in  
**UMATILLA**

249 E. Collins Street,  
Umatilla, 32784  
(352) 771-5500

