



HELP KEEP SHELTER ISLAND CLEAN

NO MEDICAL WASTE IS ALLOWED AT THE RECYCLING CENTER

NO SHARPS CONTAINERS-NO NEEDLES- NO MEDICAL WASTE.

THIS IS YOUR PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Talk to your HEALTH CARE PROVIDER or your PHARMACIST if you have any questions.

WE MUST PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT, THE PUBLIC AND THE EMPLOYEES WHO HELP KEEP SHELTER ISLAND CLEAN. WE CAN NOT ACCEPT CONTAMINATED MEDICAL WASTE, NEEDLES or SHARPS CONTAINERS BECAUSE WE WANT TO INSURE THEY DO NOT GET IN THE WASTE STREAM OR HARM ANYONE AND WE DO NOT WANT TO SPREAD INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

YOU MUST NOT THROW NEEDLES OR ANY OTHER MEDICAL WASTE IN THE TOWN GARBAGE OR RECYCLING AREA!! They DO NOT belong in your household waste.

THIS IS A NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC THAT SHARPS/NEEDLES MAY BE DROPPED OFF AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

Eastern Long Island Hospital – Greenport – Tuesdays – go to the Emergency Room and they will direct you to the location of the drop off box. 477-1000

Southampton Hospital takes them anytime at the Emergency Room – 726-8200

Peconic Landing Nursing Home – Go to the nurse's desk – any time – 477-4217

San Simeon Nursing Home – Thursdays between 10 -11 am – you must have your name and address on the label. 477-2110

If you are a pet owner you may take it back to your veterinarian. Please ask them where you may return any needles or medical waste that is from your pet.

The Shelter Island Pharmacy sells individual sharp containers. They do not accept the needles.

There is also Sharps Disposal by Mail. You may find them on the companies who will sell you containers that have been accepted by the US Postal Service. There is information on the internet concerning companies who supply the containers with mailing information.

REMEMBER ALL NEEDLES MUST BE IN A SHARPS CONTAINER OR A HEAVY PLASTIC CONTAINER WITH A SCREW TOP. THIS CONTAINER MUST BE LABELED SAYING – SHARPS/BIO HAZARD MATERIALS. IF YOU PLAN ON USING ONE OF THE DROP OFF LOCATIONS THEY WILL NOT ACCEPT ANYTHING UNLESS IT IS IN A CONTAINER AND IT IS LABELED PROPERLY.

In an effort to address the safe disposal of sharps generated in the private residence, Chapter 438 of the Laws of 1993 requires hospitals and nursing homes to establish procedures whereby such household generated waste can be dropped off for proper disposal.