

Labette County Disposal Program

Public Health of Labette County offers a sharps disposal program as a community service to assist residents with a safe & environmentally sound method to dispose of used sharps. It is available to any Labette County resident who uses needles, syringes, lancets, or other sharps in their home per order of a physician. Health care professionals and businesses are regulated and may not participate.

The improper disposal of discarded needles or other sharps can pose a health risk to the public and waste workers. Help prevent injury by properly disposing of needles and syringes in a puncture resistant container.

- Discarded needles may expose waste workers to potential needle stick injuries and potential infection when containers break open inside garbage trucks or needles are mistakenly sent to recycling centers.
- Janitors and housekeepers also risk injury if loose sharps poke through plastic garbage bags.
- Sharps can be contaminated with hepatitis, HIV, AIDS, and other potentially fatal diseases.

Needle disposal containers can be picked up at the Public Health of Labette County Dept. Once your needle container is full return it to the health department for proper and safe disposal.

There is no charge for the program, but **DONATIONS** are accepted to help cover the cost for proper disposal of containers and for the purchase of new containers.

If you have any questions contact the health department at 620-421-4350.



The health department is located at:

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