

## HOW TO PACKAGE SHARPS

Properly packing your medical sharps protects hazardous waste workers from getting poked and injured.

**For our safety, only specialized medical sharps containers and hard-plastic detergent bottles with secure screw-top lids will be accepted at the Washtenaw County Home Toxics Center.**

If you are using a medical sharps container, follow the instructions that came with the container (either on the container's label or in a manual) to securely close it. Contact the manufacturer with any questions about using your sharps container.



**If using a hard-plastic detergent bottle, rinse it first and clearly write “SHARPS” on the container using a permanent marker. Make sure that the lid is securely screwed on.**

Limited quantities of medical sharps containers are available for **free** for Washtenaw County residents through the program and will be provided if you do not have a sharps container. Sharps containers can also be purchased online or at most pharmacies.