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Reusable Sharps Containers: A More Sustainable Approach to Medical Waste Disposal

A behind-the-scenes look at how Stericycle manages reusable sharps containers through a streamlined, five-step process

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Safety First—With Sustainability in Mind

Safe, compliant sharps disposal is essential to protecting staff and patients in healthcare facilities. A strong [sharps disposal program](#) plays a critical role in maintaining a safe workplace while also helping to protect the environment.

Stericycle, now part of WM, provides reusable sharps containers as part of a proven, sustainable approach to medical waste management.

A Smarter Alternative to Single-Use Containers

Reusable sharps containers offer a smarter alternative to single-use plastic containers commonly used in healthcare environments.

Designed to support sustainability without compromising safety or regulatory compliance, this solution reflects how WM is helping customers put people first— protecting healthcare workers and patients—while advancing their environmental goals.

How the Process Works

Stericycle's five-step reusable sharps container process—from service and collection through treatment, cleaning, and return—demonstrates how logistics, technology, and expertise come together to support a more circular approach to sharps disposal and regulated medical waste.

Key Benefits of Reusable Sharps Containers

Reusable sharps containers can help:

- Reduce plastic waste sent to landfills
- Lower the carbon footprint of medical waste programs
- Support a circular economy by extending the life of critical materials

See It in Action

- See how Stericycle is putting sustainability into action—and why reusable sharps containers are an important part of a safer, healthier, and more sustainable future: [**Watch the video on LinkedIn**](#)

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