

# NEW BRUNSWICK MEDICATIONS RETURN PROGRAM (MRP) REFERENCE GUIDE

MRP covers all medications, that are sold directly to consumers, including prescription, over-the-counter medications, and natural health products.

## Included

- ✓ All prescription drugs (pills, liquids, or creams, including cytotoxics and opioids)
- ✓ Over-the-counter medications (pills, liquids and creams)
- ✓ Natural Health Products, such as vitamins and minerals, herbal remedies, probiotics
- ✓ Inhalers (up to 10 inhalers per pail)
- ✓ Medical marijuana (prescription only)
- ✓ Medication patches
- ✓ Fentanyl Patches – folded in half so that the adhesive side is stuck together
- ✓ Medications for companion animals

## Excluded

- ✗ Pharmaceutical waste produced by the collection location (new or expired stock) or any other institutions such as hospitals, LTC homes, nursing homes, doctor's offices
- ✗ Topical substances that do not contain antibiotics, anti-fungal agents or analgesic
- ✗ Radiopharmaceuticals
- ✗ Methadone or methadone cups
- ✗ COVID tests
- ✗ Biomedical or anatomical waste
- ✗ Medical sharps, syringes, needles
- ✗ Empty pill bottles or other containers
- ✗ Contact lens disinfectants
- ✗ Anti-dandruff products, including shampoos
- ✗ Mouthwashes
- ✗ Fluoridated toothpaste
- ✗ Sunburn protectants
- ✗ Antiperspirants

### Important Notice:

Please take note of the following guidelines when accepting medications returns from patients:

- Make sure all liquids, creams, and powders remain in their original containers. The Medications Return Containers should not have any loose liquids or powders.
- Ask consumers to remove or cover any personal information before returning the medications.
- Narcotics and controlled substances should not be denatured prior to placing them in the Medications Return Container.

# NEW BRUNSWICK SHARPS COLLECTION PROGRAM (SCP) REFERENCE GUIDE

SCP covers all needles, safety engineered needles, lancets or other similar instruments designed to puncture the skin of individuals for medical purposes and are sold to consumers for home-treatment only. Medical sharps used on Companion Animals are also accepted under the program.

## Included

- ✓ Needles
- ✓ Syringes
- ✓ Pen tips
- ✓ Safety pen needles
- ✓ Prefilled cartridges
- ✓ Prefilled syringes
- ✓ Prefilled Auto-Injectors
- ✓ Prefilled Pen Injectors
- ✓ Lancets
- ✓ Infusion sets
- ✓ Continuous Glucose Monitors (CGM)

## Excluded

- ✗ Medical sharps waste generated by the collection location e.g.: flu, immunization or COVID shots
- ✗ Medical sharps containers from hospitals, methadone clinics, medical or dental offices, LTC homes, nursing homes, tattoo parlours, nail salons, acupuncture clinics and from any other businesses
- ✗ IV Bags
- ✗ COVID tests
- ✗ Glucose meters
- ✗ Cotton swabs
- ✗ Biomedical or anatomical waste

### Important Notice:

- Medical sharps containers are for free distribution to members of the public only
- They are not to be used in pharmacies, and are intended only for personal use
- For some CGM systems, the applicator is the medical sharp and the CGM is not a medical sharp