

The "Household Used Sharps Collection Program" is a free voluntary program for individuals in Polk County who need to dispose of used needles or sharps.

Used sharps must be disposed of properly, and should NEVER be thrown away with household garbage or placed in dumpsters. This program is for private individuals. Healthcare professionals and businesses are regulated by other agencies and are not eligible to participate.

Lakeland Fire Department employees should refuse to take possession of sharps containers. Please advise citizens to leave their sharps container with an authorized employee at one of the collection sites **listed below** for proper disposal.

Prescription Medications can be left with the following police departments:

- Lakeland Police Dept.
- Auburndale Police Dept.
- Haines City Police Dept.
- Lake Alfred Police Dept.
- Winter Haven Police Dept.

Collection Sites for Sharps Containers & Needles:

Auburndale Health Department

1805 Hobbs Road, Auburndale 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday - Friday (863) 965-5400

Bartow Fire Department

110 E. Church Street, Bartow 7:00 am to 9:00 pm, daily (please ring bell) (863) 534-5044

Bartow Environmental Health Unit

Polk County Health Department 2090 E. Clower Street, Bartow 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday - Friday (863) 519-8330

Haines City Health Department

1700 Baker Avenue E., Haines City 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday - Friday (863) 421-3204

Lake Wales Health Department

835 West Central Avenue, Lake Wales 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday - Friday (863) 678-4144

Lakeland Health Department

3241 Lakeland Hills Boulevard, Lakeland 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday - Friday (863) 413-2620

Winter Haven Radiological Health Unit

Polk County Health Department 225 Avenue D, N. W., Winter Haven 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday - Friday (863) 291-5204