



IMPORTANT PUBLIC NOTICE

Friday March 20, 2020

4:00 PM

SAFELY STORE SHARPS AT HOME DURING THE COVID-19 SITUATION

Pharmacies are instructing patients to use heavy duty plastic containers to store used needles ('sharps') at home **until further notice**. Containers like those used for laundry soap should be labelled *Sharps* and kept safely out of reach of children.

NO sharps or containers with sharps inside should ever be put in the garbage or recycling for collection. Help us keep our workers safe!

Pharmacies will not be accepting used sharps because suppliers will not be shipping sharps pails during the COVID-19 situation. Labelled sharps containers will be accepted by pharmacies at a future date that will be posted when known.

For more information on safe sharps disposal: <https://pans.ns.ca/public/programs/safe-sharps> or contact the **Colchester Waste Helpline** at 902-895-4777.

