



### *Plan for Supporting Safe Collection and Disposal of Waste Devices (July 2017)*

As Required by California Public Resources Code section 47115-47116 and Minnesota Statutes Chapter 286

Biogen is recognized as a sustainability leader and is committed to acting as a responsible corporate citizen in all of its activities. Biogen supports the proper disposal of syringes, needles, and other sharps generated in a home setting to mitigate potential public health risks. We take this responsibility seriously and work to educate patients about how to safely handle and dispose of our products.

Biogen submits the following plan describing how we support the safe collection and proper disposal of waste from self-injected at home medications that include sharps for three (3) of our products – AVONEX®, PLEGRIDY™ and ZINBRYTA®.

#### **AVONEX, PLEGRIDY and ZINBRYTA**

- Biogen provides written information detailing the proper disposal of injector pens, needles and syringes to all AVONEX, PLEGRIDY and ZINBRYTA patients in our AVONEX, PLEGRIDY and ZINBRYTA Instructions for Use (“AVONEX, PLEGRIDY and ZINBRYTA Instructions”).
- The AVONEX, PLEGRIDY and ZINBRYTA Instructions direct patients to dispose of used injector pens, needles and syringes in a puncture resistant container.
- The AVONEX, PLEGRIDY and ZINBRYTA Instructions advise patients that there may be state and/or local laws regarding the disposal of used injector pens, needles and syringes, and patients are further directed to consult their doctor, nurse or pharmacist to obtain instructions on how to dispose of their used injector pens, needles and syringes.
- The AVONEX, PLEGRIDY and ZINBRYTA Instructions are readily accessible electronically on the Biogen website.
- The Biogen patient services call center staff have been trained to relay the information contained in the PLEGRIDY and AVONEX Instructions to patients that seek information regarding the disposal of their Injector Pens and Sharps.
- Each new AVONEX patient that participates in our starter kit program is counseled regarding the safe disposal of syringes.

#### **What additional information is available for patients?**

For more information about safe sharps disposal and for specific information about sharps disposal in the state that you live in, go to [FDA'S](#) website.

Safe Disposal can provide additional sharp disposal information specific to your state and local community. They can be reached by calling 1-800-643-1643, [emailing](#) or visiting their [website](#). Safe Disposal can provide for your state and local community the following:

- Types of sharps container that can be used,
- Disposal programs in your local communities,
- How to label your sharps disposal containers,
- How to secure the lid of your sharps disposal container, and
- Whether sharps disposal containers can be thrown away on the common trash.

Medicines help treat diseases, manage chronic conditions, and improve health and well-being for millions of Americans. It's vitally important that patients take their medicines as prescribed by their health care provider. However, if you have expired or unwanted medication, proper disposal is important and easy. For more information on how to dispose of expired or unwanted medicines go to the FDA'S [website](#).

Biogen is also a member of the Pharmaceutical Product Stewardship Work Group and participates in the [Med Project](#) to coordinate industry's efforts to raise awareness about appropriate disposal methods and to develop compliance plans in response to take-back ordinances.

