

Product Enters the California Market

Who's involved: Manufacturers, distributors, repackagers, importers.

What happens: Their products become subject to SB 212, triggering responsibility for end-of-life management.



Industry Funds Safe Disposal

Covered entities finance a statewide stewardship system that manages safe collection and disposal of unwanted pharmaceuticals and home-generated sharps.



Stewardship Organizations Operate the Program

- Coordinate with pharmacies, retailers, hospitals, clinics, and law enforcement to set up authorized collection sites.
- Provide pharmaceutical collection receptacles.
- Provide free sharps mail-back packages at point of sale.



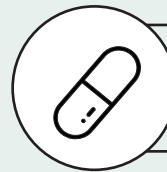
CalRecycle Oversight and Enforcement

- Reviews and approves stewardship plans, annual reports, and budgets.
- Monitors compliance, conducts inspections, and enforces requirements.
- Maintains public lists of covered products and authorized sites.
- Delivers outreach to manufacturers, retailers, pharmacies, and millions of Californians.

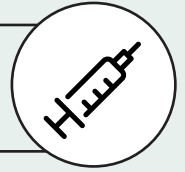


Free Safe Disposal by the Public

Residents use the free disposal options, reducing pollution, poisoning risks, misuse, and needlestick injuries.



Drugs and Sharps Disposal Options



Drug Take-Back

1. Drop off unwanted medications at an authorized collection site, or
2. Order a free mail-back package.

Sharps Take-Back

1. Pick up a mail-back sharps container at a participating pharmacy, or
2. Order a mail-back sharps container.

Find Disposal Drop-off Locations or Obtain Mail-back Supplies:

Call (844) 4-TAKE-BACK (844-482-5322) or visit medtakebackcalifornia.org



Find Authorized Collection Sites:

Visit calrecycle.ca.gov/epr/pharmasharps/programlists

