

Proper Medication and Sharps Disposal

Pills or Capsules

Unused or expired prescription medications in pill or capsule form can be discarded at the drop-box in the lobby of the **Melrose Police Station** at 56 W. Foster Street, Melrose. **The Police Station is not a sharps drop-off site.**

Liquid Medications

Remove unused or expired liquid or gel medication from its original container and mix it with an undesirable substance, such as coffee grounds, kitty litter, sawdust or dirt that has been placed in a heavy plastic sealable bag or other container to prevent leakage and then place bag in the regular trash.

Syringe and Sharps Returns

A sharps drop-box is available on the street level of **Melrose City Hall** at 562 Main Street, Melrose from 8:30 am – 4:00 pm, Monday-Friday.

- Syringes, needles and epi-pens must be placed in a puncture-proof container like a sharps box, coffee can, detergent bottle or other wide-mouth hard sided plastic container and taped shut.
- If the container is too large to fit through the drop-box opening come into the Health Department and staff will open the box.
- **Do not deposit pills, loose syringes or needles in the sharps box.**