



## SERVICE SUMMARY

### Sharps Service

Cheshire West & Chester

#### Summary

To maintain a sharps waste collection service through the community pharmacy network.

To maintain a quality professional service for patients.

To enable patients to dispose of prescribed sharps safely

#### How to

#### Deliver

You will accept sharps for disposal, from all patients / patient representatives who present with them in an approved and sealed sharps container provided by a healthcare provider.

It is the responsibility of the patient to obtain a one way sharps container obtained from a health professional and to ensure that the sharps are safely sealed in this before presenting it to the community pharmacy for disposal.

You will not accept returned sharps in any container other than an approved sealed sharps container.

#### How to

#### Qualify/DoC

You will have a Standard Operating Procedure / protocol which specifically details the operational delivery.

You must have written guidance which covers the specific health and safety risks associated with this service. Including

- Minimising risk and risk assessment
- Action to be taken in the case of needle stick injury
- Prompt first aid and seeking immediate professional advice.

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#### How/When to Claim

You will be reimbursed at £200 per year, irrespective of the amount of sharps collected. Payment will be made at the beginning each financial year.

Payment for Services will be made once the signed Contract is received and within 30 days of receipt of an itemised, correct and undisputed VAT invoice.

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