

****** NOTICE TO ALL RESIDENTS ******

**NEW REGULATIONS FOR PROPER DISPOSAL OF SHARPS, NEEDLES
AND LANCETS**

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2012

To help prevent injuries resulting from improper disposal of sharps, it is important to use safe techniques and procedures. All sharps should be placed in a puncture resistant container with a tightly secured lid. At the Middleboro DPW we have had incidents where employees have been injured because of improperly disposed of sharps in the trash and recycling.

Effective July 1, 2012 it is illegal to dispose of new or used sharps in your household trash or recycling.

You may bring your sharps in a secure container to the **Board of Health, 20 Center St.** or to the **Middleboro Central Fire Station at 125 North Main St** for proper disposal. You can also check with your pharmacy for a return collection program.