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Wednesday, 18 December 2024

Dear Resident,

**Clinical Waste Collection Services**

Thank you for contacting us recently regarding your waste. You have indicated you may need a clinical waste collection.

Please find enclosed an application form to be completed and returned to:

**NHC Clinical Waste Application,** **Council Offices, Gernon Road, Letchworth Garden City, SG6 3JF**

A separate application can be made over the phone should you require a sharps box. Please contact us on 01462 474000 and choose the waste option.

Healthcare waste, arising from a person without an infection, can be placed in your household purple refuse bin; this includes wound dressings, sanitary towels, incontinence pads and empty stoma and catheter bags. Additional refuse capacity may be available for households producing large volumes of non-recyclable waste for this reason. Please request an additional capacity application form instead.

Cardboard boxes and other recyclable packaging for items such as incontinence pads or dressings can be recycled in your grey bin or by the side of it if you have additional recycling that does not fit in your grey bin. Medicines should be returned to your pharmacy if unused.

If your application is approved, your clinical waste will be collected weekly in special orange bags. These should be sealed and placed out for collection by 7am on your scheduled collection day. You will be informed of your collection day once a collection is confirmed.

If you require any further information, please contact us on the number above.

Yours faithfully

Waste and Recycling Team.

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**You do not need a separate clinical waste collection if the following applies:**

* The waste includes wound dressings, sanitary towels, incontinence pads or nappies and emptied stoma and catheter bags. These items can all be disposed of into your purple bin. The only exception to this is if the waste is from someone carrying an infection.
* You are treated at home by a nurse or healthcare professional – who should take any waste arising from dressings, medications, etc. away with them.

A separate clinical collection will only be provided if the waste is infectious, as confirmed by a healthcare professional.

If the waste produced is associated with cytotoxic and cytostatic medicines, it is unlikely that we will be able to collect it. For more information, please contact us.

If you require a sharps box collection, please contact us on 01462 474000 and choose the waste option.

**Section 1: Resident’s Details**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I require a collection of **infectious** waste for the following items: (*Please tick* *all which apply*)

|  |  |
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| Incontinence pads / nappy waste |  |
| Swabs and/or wound dressings |  |
| Stoma/ catheter bags |  |
| Other waste- Please provide further details below |  |

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**Supporting information and declaration**

Please provide any other details which you feel we may find useful in correctly identifying and disposing of the waste safely.

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**Please sign below to confirm the information you have provided on this form is accurate and that you give consent for your details to be held to provide waste services. Should your circumstances change, or you move house you agree to notify the Council accordingly.**

Resident signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Please pass this form to your healthcare professional, this can be a care worker, community nurse or doctor. They will need to complete the reverse of this form to ensure the waste is correctly identified and disposed of accordingly.*

**Section 2: To be completed by a Healthcare Professional**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Organisation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Preferred method of contact: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. I confirm that the person named above requires a collection of **infectious** waste.
2. I anticipate the person named above will require specialist collection for infectious waste for the following duration:

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Up to 6 weeks |  Up to 3 months |  Up to 6 months | Over 6 months |
|  |  |  |  |

1. Approximately what quantity of waste requiring specialist disposal would you anticipate the named person above to produce weekly?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 1 small carrier bag |  |
| Up to 1 large sack/ bag |  |
| 2 to 3 large sacks/ bags |  |
| More than 3 large sacks/ bags |  |

I confirm the waste described is an accurate description of the needs of the resident, to ensure waste is disposed of correctly in accordance with the waste ‘duty of care’.

Healthcare professional signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

For the purposes of current data protection laws the information you supply the Council as part of your application will be used for the purposes of dealing with your request and retained as per our published corporate data protection privacy policy which can be found at [Privacy statement | North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)](https://www.north-herts.gov.uk/privacy-statement) or by requesting a paper copy of the policy by contact us on 01462 474000

From time to time this information may be shared with other Council departments and / or outside partners to process your request as effectively as possible. Please confirm you have read the above privacy notice

Tick here to agree

**Please return this form to:**

NHC – Clinical Waste Application

Council Offices,

Gernon Road,

Letchworth Garden City,

SG6 3JF