

**EMD Serono, Inc.**  
**Plan to Support Safe Needle Collection and Disposal**  
**for Saizen<sup>®</sup> (somatropin (rDNA origin) for injection)**

EMD Serono is committed to meeting the needs of patients and the communities in which they live in. As part of this, we have developed and implemented a plan to support the safe collection and disposal of waste devices in support of Senate Bill 486 for the residents of California.

***I. Providing for Effective Safe Needle Collection and Disposal***

EMD Serono works with a third-party organization to support the safe collection and disposal of waste devices. As part of this program, EMD Serono offers California residents who are using Saizen<sup>®</sup> (**somatropin (rDNA origin) for injection**) patients, the opportunity to participate in a free, Sharps container mail back program. The following items are sent to CA residents on Saizen<sup>®</sup> therapy upon request:

- Introduction kit inclusive of 2 Sharps containers including mail back packaging.
- Replacement containers with mail-back packaging after the resident has mailed-back previously-supplied collection containers

Enrollment into this program is available for residents of CA using Saizen<sup>®</sup> and can be requested by calling Connections for Growth at 800-582-7989. Containers may be subject to availability.

***II. Educating Patients***

EMD Serono provides information about the sharps disposal ban in California on our company Web site in order to educate patients and the greater community. We proactively reach out to patient and professional organizations in the state of California to make them aware of EMD Serono's plan which supports the safe collection and disposal of waste devices. We encourage patients to call our toll-free support service at 800-582-7989, Connections for Growth, for any questions that they have related to Saizen<sup>®</sup> and the safe collection and disposal of related waste devices.

Further, we educate patients initiating Saizen<sup>®</sup> therapy through telephone outreach and during injection training via our Product Specialists about our plan. In addition to informing them of the organization's plan, we also make them aware of the local CA resources available through CalRecycle Sharps and Medication Disposal Directory available at the following: (<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/homehazwaste/HealthCare/Collection/Default.aspx>)

***III. Coordinating with California Organizations***

EMD Serono works with organizations to make them aware of the company's commitment and plan to support the safe collection and disposal of waste devices. We proactively reach out to organizations in the state of California to make them aware of EMD Serono's plan. In addition, we have incorporated feedback from these local organizations in the design of our current plan to better understand how we can meet the needs of CA residents.

***IV. Involving Consumers and the Community***

As part of our on-going commitment to meeting the needs of patients, EMD Serono works to obtain feedback from existing Saizen<sup>®</sup> patients on our plan to support the collection and disposal of waste devices.