

EMD Serono, Inc.
Plan to Support Safe Needle Collection and Disposal
for Rebif® (interferon beta-1a)

EMD Serono is committed to meeting the needs of patients and the communities in which they live. Prior to initiating our plan, EMD Serono conducted a pilot program of patients taking Rebif® (interferon beta-1a). Based on feedback from this pilot program we developed and implemented a plan to support the safe collection and disposal of waste devices in support of California Senate Bill 486 for the residents of California.

I. Providing for Effective Safe Needle Collection and Disposal

Since inception of the plan in 2010, EMD Serono has worked with a third-party organization to support the safe collection and disposal of waste devices. This program, developed by EMD Serono, offers California residents taking Rebif the opportunity to participate in a free safe collection container mail-back program. The following items are provided to California residents taking Rebif:

- Introduction kit consisting of 2 collection containers and mail-back packaging
- Replacement containers with mail-back packaging after the resident has mailed back previously-supplied collection containers

California residents who take Rebif may be auto-enrolled in this program by calling MS LifeLines® toll free at 877-447-3243. Containers may be subject to availability.

II. Educating Patients

EMD Serono provides information about the California sharps disposal ban 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, MS LifeLines, for any questions that they have related to Rebif and the safe collection and disposal of related waste devices.

Furthermore, we educate patients initiating Rebif therapy about our plan through telephone outreach and during injection training via our Nurses. 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/Sharps/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 will work to obtain feedback from existing Rebif patients on our plan to support the collection and disposal of waste devices.

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