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APPROVED HOME GENERATED SHARPS CONSOLIDATION POINT **Consolidation Point** Hauler Name____ Facility Name: Address_____ Contact Person:____ Address _____ Telephone: () Telephone: () _____ Registration Number_____ * Requested Frequency of pickup: *When full (3/4 capacity is full) and ready for disposal, Consolidated Sharps Waste must be picked up every seven days unless a longer pickup interval is approved by DEH. Agency use only Date:____ Approved by:_____ County of Santa Clara Medical Waste Number: Management Program

^{*}This approval is contingent on ongoing compliance with Section 117904 of the California Health and Safety Code.

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117690 - Medical Waste

- (a) "Medical waste" means waste which meets both of the following requirements:
 - (D) The accumulation of properly contained home-generated sharps waste that is brought by a patient, a member of the patient's family, or by a person authorized by the enforcement agency, to a point of consolidation approved by the enforcement agency pursuant to Section 117904 or authorized pursuant to Section 118147.

117904 - Consolidation

- (a) In addition to the consolidation points authorized pursuant to Section 118147, the enforcement agency may approve a location as a point of consolidation for the collection of home-generated sharps waste, which, after collection, shall be transported and treated as medical waste.
- (b) A consolidation location approved pursuant to this section shall be known as a "homegenerated sharps consolidation point."
- (c) A home-generated sharps consolidation point is not subject to the requirements of Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 118275), to the permit or registration requirements of this part, or to any permit or registration fees, with regard to the activity of consolidating home-generated sharps waste pursuant to this section.
- (d) A home-generated sharps consolidation point shall comply with all of the following requirements:
 - (1) All sharps waste shall be placed in sharps containers.
 - (2) Sharps containers ready for disposal shall not be held for more than seven days without the written approval of the enforcement agency.
- (e) An operator of a home-generated sharps consolidation point approved pursuant to this section shall not be considered the generator of that waste.
- (f) The medical waste treatment facility which treats the sharps waste subject to this section shall maintain the tracking documents required by Sections 118040 and 118165 with regard to that sharps waste.

118147 - Consolidation

Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a registered medical waste generator, which is a facility specified in subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section 117705, may accept home-generated sharps waste, to be consolidated with the facility's medical waste stream, subject to all of the following conditions:

- (a) The generator of the sharps waste, a member of the generator's family, or a person authorized by the enforcement agency transports the sharps waste to the medical waste generator's facility.
- (b) The sharps waste is accepted at a central location at the medical waste generator's facility.
- (c) A reference to, and a description of, the actions taken pursuant to this section are included in the facility's medical waste management plan adopted pursuant to Section 117960.