



Onboarding Harm Reduction Worker's Checklist

These are some key onboarding topics the Ontario Harm Reduction Distribution Program (OHRDP) recommends for learning about harm reduction supplies, safer practices, and inventory management practices. They represent a fraction of the resources available to harm reduction workers through the OHRDP NSP Portal.

NP = OHRDP NSP Portal

Resource Name and Location	Description of Resource	Completed ✓
Harm Reduction Supplies NP>Harm Reduction Supplies Safer Injection and Safer Inhalation Mini Posters NP>Supply Resources	This website page shows a picture of each harm reduction supply OHRDP distributes with their specifications. These posters have images of each harm reduction supply available through OHRDP. They are great to post in a harm reduction room or mobile unit for easy reference.	
Connecting—A Guide to Using Harm Reduction Supplies as Engagement Tools ("Connecting") NP>Connecting Guide, and https://isu.pub/BmxlEhl	Based on the Best Practice Recommendations for Canadian Harm Reduction Programs. Developed specifically for harm reduction workers to support harm reduction supply knowledge and safer practices. Each supply is highlighted along with other important topics like alternate supplies, and overdose response.	
OHRDP Educational Videos NP>OHRDP Educational Videos	Videos about inventory management practices, harm reduction supplies, and safer practice knowledge. Videos will continue to be added, so check back frequently.	
1. Needle and Syringe Guide NP>Supply Resources	A general information guide about attached needles, needle tips, and syringes, and the different types of injections.	



2. Subcutaneous and Intramuscular Injection NP>Supply Resources 3. For Intravenous Injection see <i>"Connecting"</i> pages 8-15	• Subcutaneous Injection Information Sheet • Intramuscular Injection Information Sheet • Subcutaneous and Intramuscular Injections Reference Guide General information about Intravenous Injection.	
Safety Planning—Stay prepared, stay supported, stay safer NP>Supply Resources>Reference Guide	Safety planning is for more than overdose response. This reference guide provides fundamental information about safety planning including how to do it, and how to support service users in creating one.	
Brass Screens Research https://brass-screens.ohrdp.ca/, or NP>Brass Screens Research	Brass screens vs Steel Wools. Review the research, webinar, and downloadable resources focused on research conducted by OHRDP with Queen's University.	
Providing Feedback about Supplies <i>"Connecting"</i> page 101	Feedback about supplies is important. Here you'll find some things to consider when gathering feedback from service users about supplies.	
Back to Basics Webinar in Harm Reduction NP>Webinars & Recordings	A joint webinar with OHRDP and CATIE Ontario. Forward to 45:19 for an excellent presentation by Sanguen Community Outreach Van Peer Staff about sharing safety practices with service users.	
Storing Harm Reduction Supplies https://toolkit.ohrdp.ca/storage/ NP>Inventory Management	This video and companion guide provide crucial information about storing harm reduction supplies.	
Manufacturers Recommendations for Storage NP>Supply Resources	Important information to ensure programs store all supplies based on their manufacturer's guidelines.	

Accessing the OHRDP NSP Portal

1. Go to <https://ohrdp.ca/> . Click on **NSP Portal** on the top menu.
2. **Register** for the portal using a **work email**, not personal email.
3. **Check the box stating you're from a certified Needle Syringe Program**. Any problems, contact: info@ohrdp.ca
4. A **confirmation email will be sent to you** as soon as your email has been approved for the NSP Portal. Once in, explore all the resources available to harm reduction workers.

OHRDP Staff Portal

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Supply Resources

To find the most appropriate supply resources for your program, please use the search field or filters below. You can narrow your results by selecting a resource type. Feel free to print, display, and share any of the resources you find here.

Search for a Resource

Filter Your Search

[Clear all search filters](#)

Supply

- Alcohol Swabs ☐
- Bowl Pipes ☐
- Brass Screens ☐
- Castile Soap Wipes ☐
- Cookers ☐
- Filters ☐
- Foil ☐
- Mouthpieces ☐
- Needles & Syringes ☒
- Push Sticks ☐
- Sterile Water ☐
- Straight Stems ☐
- Straws ☐
- Tourniquets ☐
- Vitamin C ☐

Resource Type

- Evidence Document ☐
- How To Guide ☐
- Info Sheet ☐
- Kit Insert ☐
- Presentation ☐
- Reference Guide ☐
- Supply Poster ☐
- Supply Storage ☐
- Video ☐

Info Sheet
Intramuscular Injection Information Sheet [Download] [June 9, 2026]

Info Sheet
Subcutaneous Injection Information Sheet [Download] [June 9, 2026]

Reference Guide
Needles & Syringes for Ontario Harm Reduction Programs [Download] [June 9, 2026]

Reference Guide
Subcutaneous and Intramuscular Injections [Download] [June 9, 2026]

Info Sheet
Let's Talk Medetomidine [Download] [April 10, 2026]

Info Sheet
Considerations for Using Needles [Download] [March 26, 2026]

Info Sheet, Supply Storage
Manufacturers Recommendations for Storage_Updated Feb 2026 [Download] [November 14, 2025]

Info Sheet
Fournitures de réduction des méfaits – inhalation_FR [Download] [October 22, 2025]

Supply Poster
OHRDP Supplies Poster [Download] [October 1, 2025]

Info Sheet
Needle & Syringe Q and A [Download] [June 25, 2025]

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Reference Guide