# WHAT YOU CAN DO

Share messages of safe medical waste
handling through talks, posters, green groups, and creative contests like murals, skits, or videos.

Push for facility-level policies that ban incineration.

Environmental sustainability involves making responsible choices that ensure the longterm health of our planet.

JOIN US IN TAKING ACTION!

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# Say no to Incineration!

Protect Your Health, Protect the Environment

A Public Awareness Campaign by Pamela Steele Associates (PSA) in partnership with health and environmental organizations









# OUR COMMITMENT:

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Raise awareness on the dangers of waste incineration

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- Promote safer and eco-friendly alternatives
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Empower local youth and communities

#### Collaborate with health and humanitarian actors



#### THE HIDDEN DANGERS OF INCINERATION



- Improper disposal exposes communities to infectious and toxic materials
- Incineration of mixed waste or medical waste releases toxic chemicals like dioxins, furans, and heavy metals such as mercury and lead
- These toxins affect lungs, liver, and can cause long-term illness

#### PRACTICES FOR SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

We can manage waste without harming our communities. Safer options include:



Autoclaving: steambased sterilization for medical waste

Microwave treatment: effective for infectious waste





Chemical disinfection: breaks down harmful pathogens

Recycling & Composting: for appropriate, sorted waste





Waste segregation at source: reduces overall toxicity