Sanitary Seal Well Caps
A sanitary seal well cap is an easy, effective, and inexpensive way to help prevent drinking water well contamination. A locking sanitary seal well cap, when installed correctly, prevents insects, small mammals, and other contaminants from entering the top of the well. Sanitary seal well caps also improve wellhead security.

About the Program
Public water systems (PWS) without sanitary seal well caps are eligible for reimbursement for up to 75% of the cost of the installation (up to $250 per PWS) of a locking sanitary seal well cap under this program. Payments are made on a reimbursement basis after the Drinking Water Program (DWP) has verified that the PWS has properly installed a sanitary seal well cap. Qualifying costs are limited to the purchase and installation of a locking sanitary seal well cap of a design approved by the DWP. Only a limited number of reimbursements will be available and will be given on a first come first served basis.

How to Receive a Sanitary Seal Well Cap Reimbursement

1. Contact Sara Flanagan, Capacity Development & Security Coordinator, by phone, 287-5678 or email, sara.m.flanagan@maine.gov to receive an approval identification number and Sanitary Seal Well Cap Reimbursement Form.

2. Have a locking, sanitary seal well cap installed by an appropriately qualified licensed professional (a licensed well driller or pump installer, or a master plumber).

3. Within three months after receiving the Sanitary Seal Well Cap Reimbursement Form (by the date indicated on the Form) submit the following to the DWP:
   • Completed Sanitary Seal Well Cap Reimbursement Form;
   • Copy of a paid invoice detailing the cost of the locking sanitary seal and cost of installation; and
   • Photograph(s) documenting the installation of the locking sanitary seal well cap.

4. The DWP will reimburse the PWS directly when the system submits documentation that the sanitary seal well cap has been properly installed.

Please Note: The DWP reserves the right to withhold reimbursement until documentation is provided that confirms the correct installation of the sanitary seal well cap by an appropriately licensed professional.