

# ADVENTHEALTH WASTE STREAM MANAGEMENT



WASTE CLASS

CONTAINER

**GENERAL TRASH**  
No Medications Allowed

- ▶ Medication wrappers and packaging
- ▶ Gloves
- ▶ Stained gauzes / dressings
- ▶ Diapers
- ▶ Empty oral syringe
- ▶ Non contaminated PPE

**BIOHAZARD CONTAINERS**  
No Medications Allowed

Items saturated with blood / body fluids

- ▶ Bloody items
- ▶ Chest tubes
- ▶ Glass / plastic specimen containers with body fluids (for the lab)
- ▶ Regulated Medical Waste (RMW) only

**SHARPS CONTAINERS**  
No Medications Allowed

If it pokes or cuts (needle, blade, scissor, hemostat);

- ▶ Scalpel blades
- ▶ Empty syringes with needle
- ▶ All syringes or tubes containing blood with or without needles
- ▶ Opened empty Ampules
- ▶ Butterfly needles
- ▶ Empty carpject syringes
- ▶ Empty / broken glass vials
- ▶ Any other sharps

**HAZARDOUS PHARMACEUTICAL WASTE**

All unused medications.

Syringes with remaining medication (no needles), IV bags and tubing containing residual meds.

- ▶ Partial vials containing Rx waste
- ▶ Creams and ointments
- ▶ Oral dosage forms (solid and liquid)
- ▶ IV solutions / tubing containing medications
- ▶ Partially Infused/spiked, Non-Maintenance IV Therapy
- ▶ Medicated Patches
- ▶ Hibiclens
- ▶ Insulins
- ▶ Non-empty chemotherapy bags/ vials
- ▶ Oral and IV contrast

**TRACE CHEMOTHERAPY WASTE**

Waste that is contaminated through contact with chemotherapeutic agents.

- ▶ Tubing & empty bags
- ▶ Syringes
- ▶ Gloves, masks, gowns contaminated with chemo agents

**CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES**

Waste all controlled substances into the container designated for controlled substance disposal. Follow facility policy for required witness and documentation.

**Hazardous substances are NOT to be disposed of in the drain/sewer**

**DRAIN / SEWER**

Items that are disposed of in the drain.

- ▶ Maintenance IV Solutions Containing:
  - Potassium Chloride
  - Potassium Phosphate
  - Sodium Phosphate
  - Calcium
  - Sodium Bicarbonate
  - Dextrose
  - Saline
  - Lactated Ringers

**INCOMPATIBLE HAZARDOUS**

Contact pharmacy for direction on disposal of non-compatible waste.

Incompatible Rx wastes require segregation to comply with Department of Transportation, safety, and disposal facility requirements.

- ▶ Aerosols (Examples)
  - Aerosol inhalers
  - Hurricane
  - Epifoam
  - Albuterol
  - Qvar
  - AIR - Aerosol sore throat spray
- ▶ Oxidizers (Examples)
  - Unused or expired Silver Nitrate sticks
- ▶ Corrosives (Examples)
  - Multitrace
  - Hydrochloric Acid
- ▶ Coumadin
  - Unused Coumadin (wrappers are regular waste)