

MUNSON HEALTHCARE HOSPITALS WASTE STREAM MANAGEMENT

WASTE CLASS

CONTAINER

GENERAL TRASH
No Medications Allowed

- ▶ Medication wrappers and packaging (except P-Listed items)
- ▶ Empty antibiotic bags (unless labeled HW)
- ▶ Stained gauzes / dressings
- ▶ Diapers
- ▶ Empty syringes
- ▶ Non contaminated PPE
- ▶ Empty medication wrapper
- ▶ Empty Glass Vials
- ▶ All empty maintenance IV bags and tubing
- ▶ All empty vials

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BIO HAZARD CONTAINERS
No Medications Allowed

Items contaminated with blood / body fluids with potential to splash, splatter or drip / suction canisters/blood transfusion bags.

- ▶ Bulk blood items
- ▶ Chest tubes
- ▶ Soiled with blood / body fluids PPE
- ▶ Glass / plastic specimen containers with body fluids (for the lab)

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SHARPS CONTAINERS
No Medications Allowed

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

- ▶ Scalpel blades
- ▶ Empty syringe with needle attached
- ▶ All syringes or tubes containing blood with needles
- ▶ Opened empty ampules
- ▶ Butterfly needles
- ▶ Empty carpject syringes
- ▶ Broken glass vials
- ▶ Any other sharps

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NON-HAZARDOUS PHARM WASTE

Syringes with remaining medication with or without needle, IV bags and tubing containing residual meds

- ▶ Non-controlled substance medications
- ▶ Partial vials containing non-hazardous Rx waste
- ▶ Creams and ointments
- ▶ Oral dosage forms (solid and liquid)
- ▶ IV solutions / tubing containing medications
- ▶ Propofol
- ▶ Sevofluorane liquid in canisters
- ▶ Partially Infused / spiked Non-Hazardous, Non-Maintenance IV Therapy
- ▶ Medicated Patches
- ▶ Hibiclens
- ▶ Betadine

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BULK HAZARDOUS PHARMACEUTICAL WASTE

- ▶ All nicotine
- ▶ Warfarin
- ▶ Insulins
- ▶ Barium Contrast
- ▶ Sore throats sprays
- ▶ Contaminated PPE
- ▶ Hazardous Drug: parenteral and oral products
- ▶ IVs with residual Hazardous Drug medication
- ▶ Hazardous Drug spill cleanup debris
- ▶ Containers with residual Hazardous Drug

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TRACE PHARMACEUTICAL HAZARDOUS WASTE

- ▶ Contaminated PPE (Includes gloves, gowns, masks, foot covers, hair cover, goggles)
- ▶ All PPE used whilst administering Hazardous Meds
- ▶ Empty Vials
- ▶ Empty Syringes
- ▶ Wipes
- ▶ Empty Hazardous Meds IVs and tubing

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CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

All solid dosage forms, patches, and the remaining contents of vials, ampules, IV bags, epidural cassettes, PCAs, or any other form of controlled substances

DRAIN / SEWER

Items that should be cut and poured down the drain.

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

INCOMPATIBLE HAZARDOUS

PLACE IN CLEAR ZIPLOCK BAG AND SEND TO PHARMACY

These wastes are to be returned to pharmacy as the DEQ requires segregation to comply with DOT, safety, and disposal facility requirements.

- ▶ Warfarin
- ▶ Glycopyrrolate
- ▶ Nicotine Patch
- ▶ Aerosols (Examples)
 - Aerosol inhalers
 - Hurricane
 - Epifoam
 - Albuterol
- ▶ Oxidizers (Examples)
 - Unused or expired Silver Nitrate sticks

Least Expensive → Most Expensive

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