

Waste Stream Disposal –Quick Sheet

	Non-hazardous	Hazardous	Controlled Substances	CHEMO	Additional Waste			
Disposal Location	BLUE Bins for Non-hazardous waste 	Black Bins for Hazardous Waste 	Cactus Smart Sinks & CsRX Containers for Controlled Substances Only 	Yellow Chemo Bin 	Red Sharps Bins 	Red Biohazardous Waste Bag 	Regular Trash Bin 	Drain 
Instructions	For expired and non-recyclable non-hazardous/non-controlled drugs that cannot be returned for credit DO NOT PLACE chemo nor characteristic and/or P-/U-list drugs. PLACE in the BLUE until you are told what to do	For characteristic and/or P-list/U-list drugs Packaging that held a P-listed drug must be put in the black bins. Place any P-listed packaging and waste in a zip-lock bag and dispose in BLACK Bin Place any alerted Black Container waste and partial sharp (syringes with or without needles, ampules)	For Controlled Substances Slots for solid (e.g. pills), liquid (e.g. oral liquid, injection) or patch waste. Document appropriate waste & REMOVE all OUTER packaging to expel contents directly into designated slot	For TRACE (Empty) Chemotherapy Waste with biohazardous/ infectious waste symbol Empty syringes, vials, ampoules, IV bags and trace contaminated PPE <u>Excluding empty Arsenic Trioxide containers "P-Listed"</u> Dispose of as "Incinerate Only" Regulated Medical Waste	For sharps (i.e. needles, broken glass vials/ ampules) (that did not contain chemotherapy nor characteristic and/or P-/U-listed drug)	Used on NURSING UNITS for bio-hazardous items and used IV bags and sets. (These are NOT for Regular Trash & NOT for Sharps)	If medication container is empty & it did not contain chemotherapy nor characteristic and/or P-/U-listed drug , then dispose of in regular trash	For IV bags with no medications, including sugars, salts, and electrolytes, these can be discarded down the sink. (Unused empty bags may be disposed in regular trash)
Examples	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pills or tablets (e.g. amoxicillin, aspirin) IV with medication left Creams and ointments capped Expired pre-packed medications 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Warfarin Nicotine Epinephrine Nitroglycerin Physostigmine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FentanNYL patches HYDROcodone Morphine OxyCODONE <p><i>Some controlled substances will be incompatible to place in these containers, there will be a message on the Pyxis indicating that you call a Pharmacist for waste management</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trace PPE Empty Chemo IV Bags Empty Chemo Vials <p>Anything that is not considered EMPTY is disposed in BLACK Container </p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Needles Broken glass vials/ ampules <p>(that did not contain chemotherapy nor characteristic and/or P-/U-listed drug)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blood and blood product in plastic containers Body fluids Blood-saturated materials Blood transfusion tubing and bags Chest tubes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Empty IV bags Medication wrappers Uncontaminated gloves Empty drug vials (that did not contain chemotherapy nor characteristic and/or P-/U-listed drug) 	IV solutions or IVPB containing any of following <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potassium chloride Potassium phosphate Sodium phosphate Calcium Sodium bicarbonate Dextrose Sodium Chloride
Sharps	NO	YES with medication	NO	YES Empty sharp in YELLOW Partial sharp in BLACK	Empty Sharps ONLY	NO	NO	N/A
Controlled Substances	NO	NO	YES – Follow institutional policy	NO	N/A – Follow institutional policy	NO	NO	N/A

