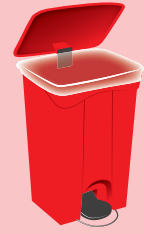



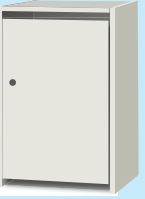
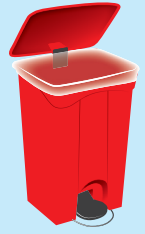



# Where does all that garbage go?

	Regulated Medical Waste (RMW) Biohazardous Waste		Hazardous Medication Waste		Protected Health Information (PHI), Highly Sensitive Data (HSD), and Agency Records* (Approval Required)		General Trash Municipal Solid Waste
	Non-Sharp	Sharp	Trace Hazardous Meds	> Trace Hazardous Meds	100% Paper	Non-Paper	Trash
Waste Containers							
Definition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Potentially infectious waste materials contaminated by blood and body fluids (BBF)</li> <li>Tissue and anatomical waste that is not a recognizable body part (Contact Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) at 2-4911 if recognizable)</li> <li>Cultures/stocks of biologicals or microorganisms</li> <li>Medical sharps</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leftover/waste hazardous medications listed on the pharmacy hazardous drug list and marked as hazardous on the label</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>PHI:</b> Individually identifiable health information, including demographic data, medical history, insurance, test results, medical record numbers, medications, etc.</li> <li><b>HSD:</b> Data with legal or regulatory restrictions on access, including personal information that can lead to identity theft; includes PHI (See University Policy IRM-003)</li> <li><b>Agency Records:</b> Information documenting a transaction or activity by or with a representative of UVA Health or other agency (See Medical Center Policy 0266.) Any documents generated at UVA Health. Destruction of official records requires approval.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>General trash or garbage without PHI and that does not meet criteria for special disposal</li> </ul>
Examples	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Potentially infectious waste</li> <li>Saturated dressings</li> <li>Blood products (albumin, etc.) and blood admin tubing</li> <li>Cultures, stocks</li> <li>Protected health information that cannot be disposed of in a confidential console</li> <li>Personal protective equipment (PPE) (gowns, gloves, masks) visibly soiled with BBF</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Needles</li> <li>Scalpels</li> <li>Ampules</li> <li>Blades, razors</li> <li>Staples</li> <li>Trocars</li> <li>Other sharp medical instruments</li> <li>Broken contaminated glass</li> </ul>	Hazardous meds that have been fully administered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vials</li> <li>Ampules</li> <li>Syringes and attached needles</li> <li>IV bags and tubing</li> </ul>	Hazardous meds not fully administered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vials</li> <li>Ampules</li> <li>Syringes and attached needles</li> <li>IV bags and tubing</li> <li>Bulk hazardous drugs with partial doses</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Admission or discharge papers</li> <li>Insurance papers</li> <li>Medical records folders</li> <li>Epic print-outs</li> <li>All paper documents generated at UVA Health, including copies of documents</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patient label backing sheets (plasticized) with leftover labels</li> <li>Patient ID bands</li> <li>Patient-labeled IV bag</li> <li>Patient-labeled containers, such as empty urine cups, medication bottles, etc.</li> <li>DVDs, computer discs, and thumb drives containing patient information</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Packaging, paper towels and food waste</li> <li>PPE: gowns, gloves, and masks used for isolation patients, hazardous med administration, and routine care unless visibly soiled with BBF. If PPE is visibly soiled with BBF, dispose in red bag container</li> <li>Personal hygiene products, such as diapers and sanitary products (presence of trace hazardous meds does not affect disposal)</li> <li>Non-saturated gowns, pads and exam table paper</li> <li>Non-controlled, non-hazardous, non-sharp medication waste</li> <li>Empty containers, tubing, and IV spikes</li> </ul>
Additional Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Liquid waste should be disposed of in toilet or hopper or solidified and placed in red bag container (blood) or regular trash (liquid stool or urine).</li> <li>Liquid waste should not be disposed of in handwashing sinks.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dispose of personal protective equipment (PPE) (gowns, gloves, masks) used in hazardous med administration in general trash beige bins.</li> <li>Trace hazardous meds does not affect disposal of diapers/sanitary products; wrap and dispose of in general trash.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PHI items that are not paper-recyclable go in the red bag container.</li> <li>Console contents are recycled as paper; non-paper items cannot go in them.</li> <li>*Contact Records Management Office at 4-5595 before disposing of documents meeting the definitions in MC-0266.</li> <li>Contact the Compliance and Privacy Office at 4-2938 for questions about PHI and HSD.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Items not listed on this chart that require special disposal include hazardous chemicals and radioactive wastes. Contact EHS at 982.4911 with questions.</li> </ul>