



## Policy and Procedure

Policy Name:	Drug and Hazardous Substance Disposal		
Effective Date:		Revision Date:	
Department(s)/Site(s):			
Document Owners:			
Approved By:			
Relevant Law/Standard:	<p>California Department of Health Care Services under Title 22, California Code of Regulations, Section 53230. (Requires the review and certification of Primary Care Practitioner (PCP) sites.)</p> <p>Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) All Plan Letter 20-006, Site Reviews: Facility Site Review and Medical Record Review or any superseding APL</p> <p>CAL-OSHA standards and 29 CFR 1910.1030.</p>		

**Purpose:**

Site has method(s) in place for drug and hazardous substance disposal.

**Definition:**

Hazardous substance – Substances that are physical or health hazards

- Examples of physical hazard include substances that are:
  - Combustible liquid, compressed gas, explosive, flammable, organic peroxide, oxidizer, pyrophoric, unstable or water reactive.
- Examples of health hazard include substances where acute or chronic health effects may occur with exposure such as:
  - Carcinogens, toxic or highly toxic agents, irritant, corrosives, sensitizers, and agents that damage the lungs, skin, eyes, or mucus membranes

*Note: All drugs that are unused are considered by the EPA to be toxic wastes and must be disposed in accordance with 40 CFR, part 261)*

**Policy:**

- Safety practices on site are followed in accordance with current/updated CAL-OSHA standards and 29 CFR 1910.1030.
- Hazardous materials are kept in lockable storage area inaccessible to patients.
- The manufacturer’s label is not removed from a container (bag, bottle, box, can, cylinder, etc.) only if the hazardous material or residues of the material remain in the container.

- Containers for biohazard waste shall comply with United States Department of Transportation requirements when prepared for transport offsite from the facility.
- A hazardous waste transporter transporting medical waste shall maintain a completed tracking document and provide a copy of that document to the medical waste generator (clinic, etc.).
- All portable containers of hazardous chemicals and secondary containers require labeling. All substances are appropriately labeled with the following information (see Appendix A)
  - Identity of hazardous substance
  - Description of hazard warning: can be words, pictures, symbols
  - Date of preparation or transfer
- Retain receipts from Medical Waste Hauler Company: \_\_\_\_\_

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# HAZARDOUS WASTE

ACCUMULATION START DATE:

EPA WASTE CODES:



**HANDLE WITH CARE!**

**HAZARDOUS PROPERTIES**

- FLAMMABLE     CORROSIVE
- TOXIC             REACTIVE

CONTENT COMPOSITION - <input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> USED		%