

## CORONAVIRUS Precautions

## Handling Medical Waste From Potentially Infected Patients

- Use two red liner bags
- Ensure red bags are closed/tied with an overhand balloon knot to avoid leaking before being moved
- Place waste into single-use containers only (boxes and sharps containers)
- Lab waste and sharps waste should be overpacked in bags and also placed in single-use containers
- Label containers as “Special Handling”
- Notify BWS immediately if any waste meets criteria



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## Help prevent the spread of highly contagious viruses

- Wash hands often with soap & water for at least 20 seconds
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, & mouth with unwashed hands
- Stay home when you are sick
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue
- Disinfect frequently touched objects & surfaces

To help protect you, your staff, and your patients, we recommend these precautionary measures in collaboration with Healthcare Waste Institute when handling medical waste generated from a potential Coronavirus infected patient until official guidelines or standards have been established by the CDC or other government agencies. For more information about Coronavirus, please visit [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov), [www.who.it](http://www.who.it), or other government health organizations. If you have any questions about handling your potentially infected medical waste, please call us at (410) 437-6590 or email us at [customercare@bwaste.com](mailto:customercare@bwaste.com).