

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, 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.