

# UP Health System - Portage Waste Products

## Regulated Medical Waste

The following items should be placed in a red bag liner and disposed of as regulated medical waste:

- \* Blood bags
- \* Hemo-vacs
- \* IV bags used to administer blood product
- \* IV bags with blood in the tubing
- \* Pleuro-vacs
- \* Suction canisters with blood or body fluids
- \* Items saturated with blood or body fluids:
  - Blue pads
  - Dressings
  - Gowns and gloves
  - Surgical sponges



The following items should be placed in a Sharps container and disposed of as regulated medical waste:

- \* Needles
- \* Syringes
- \* Scissors
- \* Blades
- \* Broken glass with contaminated blood or body fluids
- \* Any item contaminated with blood or body fluids that could puncture a bag or puncture the skin

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## General Waste

The following items should be disposed of as general waste:

- \* Basins
- \* Bedpans
- \* Diapers
- \* Emesis basins
- \* Empty IV bags and lines
- \* Endotracheal tubes
- \* Foley catheters and bags
- \* Product packaging
- \* Urinals
- \* Items not saturated with blood or body fluid:
  - Blue pads
  - Bandages
  - Gloves, gowns, aprons, and masks
  - Surgical sponges
- \* Empty medication vials (non-chemotherapy)
- \* Isolation gowns, gloves, and masks
- \* Rinsed suction containers
- \* Ventilator tubing