

MEMORANDUM

Date: **November 5, 2018**
 To: **All EVS Staff**
 From: **Tracy Shannon, Regional Waste Contracts Manager, BISS**

Empty Biohazard Bags and Containers – Dispose as Biomedical Waste

Always dispose of bags and containers with the biohazard or cytotoxic waste symbol as biomedical or cytotoxic waste even if they are clean and empty. Workers at the waste transfer stations and landfills are not permitted to handle items with a these symbols. They will stop operations and treat as biomedical or cytotoxic waste even if clean and empty. Hospitals could be fined or banned from the garbage disposal facilities.

Examples of items with the biohazard and cytotoxic symbols:



How You Can Help:

- Only use biomedical waste bags and containers for their intended purpose.
- Put all damaged/unwanted containers and bags in the correct biomedical waste stream.
- Report or fix any errors you see – it’s a team effort.

Questions? Contact your site supervisor.