

# ISSUES IN HW & RMW

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## Generator Responsibilities

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- Generator always responsible
- “Cradle to Grave” responsibility
- Some HW can be treated so no longer hazardous, but some will always be hazardous
- RMW must be treated and destroyed to no longer be RMW



**WHERE CAN YOU GET  
MORE INFORMATION?**

## GENERAL DEP INFORMATION:

- <http://www.state.nj.us/dep/>

## RMW INFORMATION

- **DEP:**

<http://www.state.nj.us/dep/dshw/rrtp/rmw.htm>

- **EPA:**

<http://www.epa.gov/wastes/nonhaz/industrial/medical/index.htm>

## HW INFORMATION

- **GENERAL DEP:**

<http://www.nj.gov/dep/enforcement/hw-summary.html>

- **Compliance Assistance Packet:**

<http://www.nj.gov/dep/enforcement/CAVPacket Master.pdf>

## FURTHER INFORMATION

- Training:
- [http://www.nj.gov/dep/enforcement/hw\\_seminar.html](http://www.nj.gov/dep/enforcement/hw_seminar.html)
- **Compliance Advisories:**  
<http://www.nj.gov/dep/enforcement/advisories.html>
- EPA ID #'s:  
<http://www.epa.gov/osw/inforesources/data/form8700/forms.htm>

# MISCELLANEOUS ISSUES



# E-MANIFEST

## E-Manifest

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- “Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest Establishment Act” signed 10/5/12
- EPA to implement national electronic manifest system (E-Manifest)
- Must issue regulations by 10/5/13
- System must be running by 10/5/15
- <http://www.epa.gov/wastes/hazard/transportation/manifest/e-man.htm>



# BIENNIAL REPORTS

## Biennial Reports

- Submitted in even numbered years for previous (odd) years generation
- Provides summary of hazardous waste handling nationally
- Helps EPA measure compliance with regulations & waste min.
- LQG's & those that treated, stored, or disposed of RCRA HW on-site

## Biennial Reports Con't.

- Prefer submitted electronically
- Fees higher if you submit hard copy
- American Resource Management, Inc. (ARM) <http://www.arminc.net>
- Further information:  
<http://www.epa.gov/epawaste/inforesources/data/biennialreport/index.htm>



# PROJECT MEDICINE DROP

## Project Medicine Drop

- Effort to stop the abuse and diversion of prescription drugs
- Consumers need to dispose of their unused medications safely and securely any time
- Secure drop boxes placed in the headquarters of local police departments

# **DHSS Safe Syringe Program:**

**(609) 826-4943**



# HAZARDOUS WASTE PHARMACEUTICALS

## Hazardous Waste Pharmaceuticals

- EPA developing standards for management/disposal of HW Pharmaceuticals generated at healthcare facilities.
- In 2008 EPA proposed adding HW Pharmaceuticals to the Universal Waste Program.

## HW PHARMA. CON'T.

- EPA decided to develop new proposal for standards for the management and disposal of HW Pharmaceuticals
- This rule will focus on material generated by healthcare-related facilities.
- Will only pertain to wastes that meet current definition of RCRA HW

## HW PHARMA. CON'T.

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- EPA anticipates that the rule will be published and available for public comment in August 2013.

- More information:

<http://www.epa.gov/wastes/hazard/generation/pharmaceuticals.htm>



# “NO-FLUSH RULE”

## **“No Flush” Rule**

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- **Prohibits health care facilities from discharging medications into sewer/septic systems.**
- **Requires that the state issue recommendations for the proper disposal of unused medications**

## **“No Flush” Rule Con’t.**

- **The bill would also require every health care institution to have a disposal plan available**
- **Any health care facility that violates this law is subject to civil administrative penalties**

## “No Flush” Rule Con’t.

- **Senate Proposal:**

[http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2012/Bills/S0500/81\\_I1.PDF](http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2012/Bills/S0500/81_I1.PDF)

- **Final Bill:**

[http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2012/Bills/PL12/62\\_.PDF](http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2012/Bills/PL12/62_.PDF)





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