## SDSD Detention Services Bureau—Las Colinas Detention and Reentry Facility Green Sheet

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NUMBER: M.41.L

SUBJECT: INFECTION CONTROL: MEDICAL WASTE

## **PROCEDURE**

## BIOHAZARDOUS WASTE: HANDLING AND DISPOSAL

- A. The Las Colinas Detention and Reentry Facility (LCDRF) maintains a biohazard cart with appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for the cleaning of all areas and surfaces which have been contaminated with blood or other bodily fluids. Details on the location and management of the biohazard cart can be located in LCDRF green sheet M.37.L STANDARD PRECAUTIONS AND INFECTIOUS AGENTS/ COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL.
- B. Sworn staff handling or cleaning biohazardous waste, or supervising incarcerated workers in the handling or cleaning of biohazardous waste, shall adhere to the following disposal procedures at the conclusion of the cleaning:
  - 1. Any soiled paper towels, sponges, mops, and latex gloves contaminated with blood or other bodily fluids will be placed in a clear plastic bag. The clear bag will be tied securely and placed in a red biohazard bag. To prevent leakage or loss of wastes during storage, handling, or transport, the red bag will be tied securely and placed in the red biohazardous waste trashcan located alongside the biohazard cart. The trashcan can then be wheeled by sworn staff to an appropriate biohazard storage room for disposal. Biohazardous waste shall be taken to the biohazard storage room as soon as practical and should not be left in the red biohazard trashcan for extended periods of time.
  - 2. LCDRF has two biohazard storage rooms; one located Safety/Security Interests 7922.000

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    Each biohazard room has several storage bins for the placement of contaminated items. Sworn staff shall ask health staff to open the biohazard storage room and safely dispose of the contaminated items in the designated bins.
  - 3. Any incarcerated person clothing or linens contaminated with blood or other bodily fluids will be placed in a blue bag and sent to laundry.
  - Deputy's clothing contaminated with blood or other bodily fluids should be removed as soon as possible and separated from other clothing until properly laundered.