



Title	:	Medical and Hazardous Waste Management Policy
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POLICY ON MEDICAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT

Purpose:

Proper disposal of medical and general waste generated from the school and to follow the infection control policies.

Audience Targeted:

School Nurse/Doctor, Lab Assistant, Administrator

Procedure:

- Used sharp medical items shall be disposed into approved impermeable sharp safe container immediately after procedure at the point of care /use.
- Administrative-in-charge of the health center shall provide proper storage disposal room for used sharps away from the public until final collection.
- Healthcare workers should monitor the fill level of all sharp safe containers ensuring that they are not filled above the mark that indicates the bin is full.
- Used needles should never be bent, manipulated, broken or recapped.
- Sharp safe containers that are not used for long time and do not reach the fill line shall be thrown 3 months after the time of assembly.
- Sharp safe containers should be closed temporarily when not in use and keep in disposal area utility room in close cupboard.
- General and medical waste collection bags/containers should be available in the clinic and properly labelled.
- All bags are tied, labeled, and secured before leaving the place of generation in the clinic.
- Medical waste bags are removed daily from the place of generation.
- Independent medical waste storage area with proper ventilation is available. Valid contract is available with a specialised company to regularly collect, transport and discard medical waste.

Approved by Principal