Hazardous Waste Disposal Flow Chart

**Note:** Gas cylinders should be obtained and returned through UC Cylinder gas (2-7353). However, lecture-sized compressed gas cylinders are to be handled in the same fashion as chemical waste.

**Note:** Glass containers formerly containing toxic or reactive chemicals should be disposed of as chemical waste and not disposed as empty glassware.

**Note:** Leaking batteries and broken bulbs containing mercury vapor must be treated as hazardous waste and should be handled as chemical waste.

Do you know the type of Waste?

- **YES**
  - Separate
  - **Chemicals** (solids, liquids, gases*)
  - **Chemically Contaminated Sharps** (non-infectious waste)
  - **Biohazardous Sharps** (needles, blades and potentially infectious broken glass)
  - **Biohazardous (Non-Sharp Potentially Infectious Waste)**
  - **Bottles and Broken Glass**
  - **Radioactive**
  - **Universal Wastes and Other Items** (batteries, light bulbs, refrigerants)

- **NO**
  - Consult with your supervisor or the disposal experts listed below.

Separate and label waste according to Radiation Safety Guidelines.

Campus or UC Medicine: Contact Office of Research Safety/Radiation Safety at 2-6299

UC Medicine: Contact your Facility Manager or F.S. Work Center 4-1414

UC Medicine: Call EVS at 5-5537

Campus: Call FS Work Center 4-1414

UC Medicine: Enter requests at: ehsa.uchicago.edu or contact UCM-EHS at 2-1733

EVS: Contact 5-5537

Campus: Submit disposal requests via EHS Assistant at: ehsa.uchicago.edu for questions contact campus EHS at 2-9999 or UC Medicine EHS at 2-7353 for clinical locations.

Rechargeable Batteries**: Bag or tape off terminals and drop off at battery recycling locations on campus.

UC Medicine: Enter requests at: ehsa.uchicago.edu or contact UCM-EHS at 2-1733

Lamps*** (CFL, UV, Fluorescent, or Mercury Vapor Tubes.)

Campus: Call FS Work Center 4-1414

UC Medicine: Enter requests at: ehsa.uchicago.edu or contact UCM-EHS at 2-1733

Refrigerants

Must be drained for recycling by a licensed technician follow Refrigerant Handling and...