



# Hazardous Medications



## Occupational Hazardous Medications

- ✚ Hazardous medications are designated in Epic with the blue or yellow HazD symbol.
  - Exposure risk to the employee.
- ✚ The goal is to protect the healthcare worker from exposure to hazardous medications in the healthcare environment.
- ✚ Most common occupational hazardous medications administered in NICU/PICU/PEDS:

### Administration:

- Spironolactone
  - Harmful if contact with skin, inhaled or swallowed.



**Single  
Gloves**

All Controlled Substances  
(medication only) should be  
disposed of in the Rx Destroyer.



If no disposal code is listed, all other medications should be disposed of in the Blue Non-Hazardous Waste Container.

## Environmental Hazardous Medications

- ✚ EPA created a list of medications that require specific disposal requirements to protect the environment.
- ✚ Epic lists the EPA disposal code on the MAR.
- ✚ Most common occupational hazardous medications administered in NICU/PICU/PEDS:

### Disposal:

- BLUE Non-Hazardous Waste:
  - Spironolactone
  - Bevacizumab (Avastin)
  - Dexmedetomidine (Precedex)



- Rx Destroyer
  - Propofol (Diprivan)



- BKC Black RCRA Hazardous Waste:
  - Insulin
  - Ketorolac Injection (Toradol)



- Silver Nitrate Sticks:
  - Unused silver nitrate applicators should be placed in return to pharmacy bin for SPO disposal.
  - Used silver nitrate sticks should be placed in red sharps container with infectious waste.