

## Disposing of Waste

Proper waste disposal is an important topic to understand. Here are a few recommendations for you to follow when you complete training and begin doing your dialysis at home.



### Peritoneal Dialysis (PD) Tubing and Solution Bags

- Place the used PD cycler sets, empty solution bags, and drain bags or lines in a heavy, thick plastic garbage bag.
- Place in the regular trash can.



### Masks, Dressings, and Gloves

- Place in the regular trash.



### Sharp Stuff

- Needles and syringes are considered special waste.
- Disposal is regulated in most states.
- Your PD nurse will provide you with local regulations on how to dispose of needles and syringes.



### Cardboard Boxes

- Cardboard boxes can be reused at home or recycled according to local regulations.



### Empty Medication Vials

- Are not considered medical waste.
- Are no different than an aspirin bottle.
- Reach out to your PD nurse with any questions.