

# Offering Regulated Medical Waste for Transport

Regulated medical waste (RMW) is regulated as an infectious substance by the Department of Transportation (DOT) and therefore employees who prepare RMW shipments for transport are considered "hazmat employees" and require DOT hazardous materials training every 3 years. This requirement includes both general awareness hazmat training and function-specific training in preparing RMW shipments. This training walks attendees through the steps necessary to properly prepare regulated medical waste, including sharps, pathological waste, and medical treatment/research wastes for shipment.

## **Topics**

- Identifying Regulated Medical Waste & Restrictions on Highly Dangerous Pathogens (Category A Infectious Substances) in RMW Packages
- DOT Administrative & Training Requirements Applicable to RMW Shipping
- Classification & Shipping Descriptions
- Specifications for Sharps Containers, Boxes, Bins, Bags & Bulk Outer Packagings (BOPs)
- Labeling & Marking
- Shipping Papers/Medical Waste Tracking Forms
- Perspective on State-Driven RMW Management Standards for Handling, Disinfection, Storage, Disposal & Recordkeeping

## Availability

This training is available onsite at your location. Call **1-617-715-9055** or email **learningcenter@ triumvirate.com** for an estimate and scheduling. It is also available as an online training at **www.triumvirate.com/training**.

## Who Should Attend?

Employees involved in offering the waste to the waste transporter should attend. Those tasks typically include:

- The final packaging prior to pick-up by the transporter (e.g., sealing boxes and properly closing bins and sharps containers)
- Confirming the proper markings are in place
- Completing and/or signing shipping papers (aka, "medical waste manifest" or "medical waste tracking form")

## **Benefits**

- Help create a safe transportation environment
- Avoid costly penalties for your employer
- Avoid rejection and delay of important shipments
- Comply with an important regulatory program
- Learn a valuable new skill or hone existing skill
- Survive corporate EH&S audits

