For Medical Institutes and Staff Handling Medical Waste

Novel Coronavirus-Related Waste

Infectious waste related to the novel coronavirus <u>can be handled in</u>
the same manner as other infectious waste. (Please follow "Infectious
Waste Treatment Manual under the Waste Management and Public Cleaning Act")

In order to reduce amount of waste, do NOT waste items (such as linens) which can be disinfected for reuse.

Linens and towels used by those who are infected or suspected of infection with the novel coronavirus may be handled in the same way as handling items contaminated with other infectious diseases. Therefore, please do not unwittingly dispose of them, but follow the same method and process applied to existing infection controls. Cautions must be taken to avoid direct contact by wearing gloves and a facemask; then implement the normal process including hot water laundry and disinfection with hypochlorous acid or alcohol.

Infectious waste should be contained or sealed appropriately depending on types and characteristics of the waste.

Please choose appropriate containers along with kinds and characteristics of the infectious waste, which is able to be sealed, easy to be stored, not easy to be damaged.

①Sharps like injection needles and scalpels	②Bloodlike liquid or muddy material	③Non-reusable items like gauze contaminated with blood
Sturdy containers with certain penetration resistance	Leakage preventive sealing containers	Double bagged sturdy plastic bag and/or sturdy container







Ex.) Plastic bag (double bagged) and Cardboard container (sealed bag contained inside)

※Please follow rules of respective local municipalities.





