

SPPG Guidance: **CPVS clinical waste**

Support document (to accompany CPVS service specifications)

Arrangements for clinical waste

Up to two purple lidded sharps boxes (11.5L) and 5 plastic clinical waste bags can be ordered per quarter from Rentokil-Initial by pharmacies providing vaccination services. These quantities can be increased if necessary with prior approval. All orders should be submitted via email to lisa.pearson@rentokil-initial.com. In the email please state:

- Number of **11.5L sharps bins to be supplied** (max. of 2 per quarter unless with prior agreement)
- Number of **clinical waste plastic bags (soft waste) to be supplied**
- Number of **11.5L sharps bins to be collected**
- Number of **clinical waste bags to be collected**

Units should be labelled '**Community Pharmacy Vaccination Service (CPVS)**' for identification purposes along with the name and address of the pharmacy premises. The service fee includes remuneration for disposal of clinical waste and any requirements in addition to those provided centrally are to be met by the contracted pharmacy.

You can source sharps bins/bags from any provider, however if sharps bins/ bags are sourced from an alternative provider to Rentokil-Initial then they may not necessarily be collected as part of the main pharmaceutical contract.

Disposal of vaccine stock post-expiry

Expired stock should be separated to avoid inadvertent administration and at the earliest opportunity placed into a purple lidded sharps bin for incineration.