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**NEW FEDERAL RULE: PHARMACEUTICAL WASTE MANAGEMENT AT BUSINESSES**

Florida has adopted by reference EPA's Management Standards for Hazardous Waste Pharmaceuticals and Amendment to the P075 Listing for Nicotine 40 CFR 266 Subpart P which became effective in Florida on August 21, 2019.

**Under the new rule:**

- Disposing of hazardous waste pharmaceuticals down the toilet or drain [266.505] is prohibited.
- Nicotine replacement therapies (i.e., nicotine patches, gums, and lozenges) are no longer included in the P075 listing (acutely hazardous) for nicotine and are no longer considered hazardous waste. However, nicotine continues to be a listed, acute hazardous waste with the hazardous waste code P075.
- Triple rinsing of containers with acute hazardous waste pharmaceuticals is not required/allowed anymore.
- Subpart P is optional for Very Small Quantity Generators (VSQGs).
- Healthcare facilities and reverse distributors are required to notify DEP using the [8700-12 FL Florida Notification of Regulated Waste Activity form](#) that they are operating under 40 CFR Part 266 Subpart P [266.502]. For a copy of the 8700-12 Form: <https://floridadep.gov/waste/permitting-compliance-assistance/documents/proposed-draft-dep-form-62-7309001b-florida>
- All healthcare facilities and reverse distributors are required to document training programs for employees who handle hazardous waste pharmaceuticals, comply with accumulation standards and labeling requirements, submit reports, and maintain records related to the management of hazardous waste pharmaceuticals.
- For additional information on the EPA Rule changes: <https://www.epa.gov/hwgenerators/final-rule-management-standards-hazardous-waste-pharmaceuticals-and-amendment-p075>
- To view a webinar on hazardous waste pharmaceutical management: [https://clu-in.org/conf/tio/HazWastePharmaceuticals\\_040219/](https://clu-in.org/conf/tio/HazWastePharmaceuticals_040219/)

*For more information, please view [Rule 62-730.181 F.A.C.](#) or contact the Brevard County Environmental Remediation & Compliance Section at (321) 633-2017 ext. 3.*