

May 2, 2023	
8:00 - 9:30am	Meet & Greet with Attendees & Sponsors
9:30 - 9:45am	Welcome/Opening Remarks <i>NWRA Healthcare Waste Institute Chair: Bob Spurgin, Spurgin & Associates</i>
9:45 - 10:00am	2023 Legislative and Regulatory Updates <i>Moderator: Bob Bollinger, Micro-Waste Corporation, Speaker: Cara Simaga, Stericycle</i> Come learn about legislative and regulatory updates that may impact those involved in healthcare waste generation and management. We will review Healthcare Waste Institute's (HWI) activities over the past year related to regulatory and legislative support and discuss issues that HWI monitors for its members
10:00 - 10:30am	Break
10:30 - 11:15am	What's New? Latest Insights and Updates from the Feds (Part 1) <i>Moderator: Matt Georgov, Choice MedWaste</i> <i>Speakers: Sarah Boblenz, Drug Enforcement Administration; Stuart Streck, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration</i> Curious about the regulatory requirements for the transportation of Division 6.2 infectious substances, classified as regulated medical waste? Join us to learn about the requirements as well as regulatory requirements including package selection, marking, labeling, shipping papers, emergency response information, training and common violations. Also learn about the Secure and Responsible Disposal Act of 2010 and the implementing regulations of 2014; controlled substance disposal options by the patient or ultimate user; disposal options for a practitioner's inventory versus a practitioner's waste; and methods of disposal and destruction
11:15am - 12:00pm	What's New? Latest Insights and Updates from the Feds (Part 2) <i>Moderator: Hal Miller, Larson Miller</i> <i>Speakers: Ryan Fagan and Chris Brown, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Kristin Fitzgerald and Brian Knieser, Environmental Protection Agency</i> Join us for a discussion on infectious disease events and outbreaks that have had an impact on the healthcare waste industry; relevant guidance updates; the 2022 update to the 10-step Blueprint for Managing Pharmaceutical Waste in U.S. Healthcare Facilities; how to better understand confusing industry terminology; areas of healthcare waste facilities where hazardous waste is generated; and more.
12:00 - 1:00pm	Lunch
1:00 - 2:00pm	Supply Chain, Sustainability and Efficiencies: What Have We Learned Since COVID-19? <i>Moderator: Sean Fredricks, MedXWaste</i> <i>Speakers: Matt Kranchick, Sterile Waste Systems; Mary Gray, Envirotain; Angel Aguiar, BONDTECH</i> From technology, to supply chain, to sustainability, to equipment, the healthcare waste industry has had to work through many challenges both during and post COVID-19 and come up with new and improved solutions for handling medical waste. Join us to learn more about these solutions and how we can continue to make improvements well into the future.
2:00 - 2:30pm	Funky Waste/Funky Generators <i>Moderator: Trey Krell, BWS, Speakers: Eric Kass, BWS; Rich Thompson, TEC</i> Speakers will provide an overview of many different "odd ball" waste streams including formalin/tissue rule versus formaldehyde/tissue rule; poison inhalation gas; general ordinates including pepper spray and pepper spray grenades; cannabis waste; and more. They also will discuss how to manage expectations with hospitals, contractors and laboratories dealing with funky waste.

2:30 - 2:45pm	Break
2:45 - 3:30pm	<p style="text-align: center;">State of the States: Regulatory Partnerships <i>Moderator: Cara Simaga, Stericycle</i> <i>Speakers: Yolunda M. Righteous, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality;</i> <i>Dania Rodriguez, ASTSWMO; Melissa Ferree, ASTSWMO;</i> <i>Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control</i></p> <p>Hear insights on working with state regulatory agencies related to compliance as well as building relationships between them and the regulated community. The session also will feature a discussion on the incinerator backlog from a state perspective. Our expert panel consists of two state regulators as well as an association that state solid waste regulators belong to.</p>
3:30 - 4:00pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Hospital Waste—What the Generator Deals With <i>Moderator: Kristin Alstad, Inmar Intelligence, Speaker: Bob Spurgin, Spurgin & Associates</i></p> <p>Learn about the impact of hospital waste when both properly and improperly managed, what the generator deals with and what the consequences are of non-compliance. Also learn how you as a service provider can assist your generators in their efforts.</p>
4:00 - 5:00 pm	Evening Reception

May 3, 2023	
8:00 - 9:00am	Meet & Greet with Attendees & Sponsors
9:00 - 10:00am	<p>Face/Off—The Changing Face of Medical Waste <i>Moderator: Curtis Knisley, Sharps Compliance, Inc.</i> <i>Speaker: Michael E. Hoffman, Managing Director and Group Head of Diversified Industrials, Stifel</i></p> <p>What will the medical waste industry look like next year or in the next five years? What should medical waste transporters and processors prepare for in order to remain successful? Learn the answer to these questions and more in this session.</p>
10:00 - 10:30am	<p>The Cost and Carbon Benefits of Medical Waste Recycling <i>Moderator: Les Griffith, Covanta, Speakers: James O'Brien, Polycarbin, Inc.; Lon Rudnitsky, Pyromet</i></p> <p>When it comes to medical waste, there are various regulations around proper handling, storage, treatment and disposal. But what about recycling? How does it work, and what's required to get the job done properly and legally? Learn how different types of medical waste can be recycled and the cost and carbon benefits that come along with that process.</p>
10:30 - 11:00am	Break
11:00am - 12:00pm	<p>Do's and Don'ts of Talking to the Media <i>Moderator: Jennie Gift, CSR Privacy Solutions Inc.</i> <i>Speakers: Mallory Szczepanski, National Waste & Recycling Association; DeAnne Toto, Recycling Today Magazine</i></p> <p>In this live demonstration and discussion with two of the waste and recycling industry's longtime and notable editors, you'll experience a range of scenarios and how to respond to each of them. You'll learn the do's and don'ts of talking to the media and how you can sharpen your communication skills to ace your next interview.</p>
12:00 - 1:00pm	Lunch
1:00 - 1:45pm	<p>Trends and Expectations for Sustainable Waste Management Programs <i>Moderator: Carly Campbell, BWS</i> <i>Speakers: Cindy Meissen, Rehrig Healthcare Systems; Darrell Oman, Braun Intertec</i></p> <p>Take the next step forward as a sustainable healthcare supplier. What are the expectations and deliverables when it comes to being environmentally sustainable, and how can reusable sharps help you achieve that next big step in building the credibility needed in an environmentally conscious industry?</p>
1:45 - 2:45pm	<p>Contracting Basics for Healthcare Waste Services <i>Moderator: Scot McFarland, Medical Waste Solutions, Inc.</i> <i>Speakers: Elise Paeffgen, Alston & Bird; Rudy Vingris, WM</i></p> <p>Receive an overview of the importance of having waste service agreements with customers and gain insight into important terms and conditions that should be included in customer contracts when managing medical wastes and pharmaceuticals.</p>
2:45 - 4:00pm	NWRA Healthcare Waste Institute Member Meeting