

Reminder Notes to Outreach Vaccination Services Provider

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you very much for your support for the Clinical Waste Control Scheme.

I would like to inform you that another organisation providing outreach vaccination services was convicted of improper disposal of clinical waste under the Waste Disposal (Clinical Waste) (General) Regulation (Cap 354O), and the company was fined a total of \$14,000 at Fanling Magistrates' Courts on 10 July 2020. This is the second similar conviction since 2019. These organisations illegally delivered clinical waste from various vaccination venues to their offices for temporary storage and centralized collection by licensed collectors. The public may be exposed to dangers posed by sharps and other infectious substances in the clinical waste during the course of illegal delivery by the organisations.

I would like to reiterate that delivery of clinical waste from the vaccination venues to another premises (except directly to the Chemical Waste Treatment Centre at Tsing Yi) is not allowed.

Failing to comply with such requirement will constitute an offence which is liable to a maximum fine of \$200,000. Clinical waste must be properly disposed either by engaging a licensed Clinical Waste Collector for on-site collection, or by self-delivering to Chemical Waste Treatment Centre by healthcare professionals.

When planning for future outreach vaccination activities, you should choose venues that allow temporary storage of clinical waste in case same day collection or self-delivery is not feasible. All information concerning clinical waste handling including the requirement of temporary storage area can be found in the Doctor's Guide issued by the Department of Health.

Thank you for your continued support for environmental protection. [Please feel free to call Environmental Protection Department's clinical waste hotline at 2835 1055 for further information on clinical waste management.](#)

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