Recyclable items

- CLEAN paper and plastic
- Non-confidential paper (no patient IDs)
- Any wrapper bigger than a post-it (3x3 in)
- Both paper and plastic if pulled apart
- Even the waxy paper is recyclable

Examples:
- IV tubing and fluid bag wrappers
- NG tube and Bair Hugger wrappers
- Sterile glove wrappers (NOT the gloves)

NOT recyclable:

- Gloves, masks, medication vials and caps, blood bags, etc.
- Syringes and wrappers (even if clean)
- Soft plastic (e.g. oxygen tubing + oral airway wrappers)
- Very small items (blue stopcock caps, red syringe caps from pharmacy, yellow/white caps from a-lines, etc. are too small)
- Dirty, bloody or infectious items
- Items from an ISOLATION room/case

More info and item lists at:
https://uconnect.wisc.edu/depts/uwhc/environmental-services/uwhc-recycling-information

Recycled items must be clean, NOT infectious or bloody.
If you’re not sure, put it in the regular trash.
If your patient is crashing, chuck it anywhere and deal with it later. If you have time and more questions, send pictures/questions via email to: zuegge@wisc.edu