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Trauma Scene Waste Management Practitioners

A trauma scene waste management practitioner is a person or company who provides clean-up services for the removal of human blood, human body fluids, and other associated residues from the scene of a serious human injury, illness, or death. Trauma scene waste management practitioners are required to be registered with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) pursuant to Section 118321 of the California Health and Safety Code-Medical Waste Management Act. The CDPH maintains a [list of registered trauma scene management practitioners](#) on their website or you may contact them directly at (916)449-5671. [Reference information and links for trauma scene clean-up](#) can also be found on the [CDPH website](#).

Persons who volunteer to clean up such sites, such as a family member or OSHA-trained employees (janitorial personnel, handyman) that are not specifically hired to clean up a given trauma incident, do not fall under the Medical Waste Management Act and are not required to register with the CDPH.

If you are a renter or a homeowner, you may wish to contact your renter's or homeowner's insurance agent/company for information regarding possible coverage for work performed by a trauma scene waste management practitioner.