

TCW Enters Clinical Waste as Crisis Looms over UK

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Medical waste is one segment that was once avoided but now governments all-round the globe have started taking it seriously. If we talk about the United Kingdom alone, in 2019, about 538,000 tons of waste was generated and at the time it took £115 million to dispose of.

In recent times, a lot of start-ups have started growing around this sector. We came across one of the start-ups, [Trikon Clinical Waste](#) owned by Nat Patel. This start-up has made its mission to handle clinical waste responsibly. They also create awareness through free site visits and providing education on the risks that waste poses to the environment and society.

We have had a chance to converse with him on his new venture.

What led you to create a company on waste management?

In all honesty, I never thought I would be creating such a company. But when I saw the figures it just baffled me. Just to give you an idea, in 2021 there were [16 billion needles used all over the world](#) and not all of them were disposed of as they should have been. Reuse of such needles gives birth to diseases like Hepatitis C.

If I talk about the United Kingdom alone, about [0.5% to 1% population is infected with Hepatitis C](#). This comes to about 60,000+.

I have been in the commercial waste business for 7 to 8 years but I saw an opportunity here and decided to contribute to society by creating a business that treats waste management, especially clinical waste, in a responsible way. As per a report created by Global Market Insights, the waste management market is [expected to double itself in a decade](#). It is time we take responsibility and control this.

Tell us something about Trikon Clinical Waste Management.

Clinical waste management is a critical issue and a serious business in the healthcare industry, as it involves the safe and responsible disposal of potentially infectious and [hazardous waste](#) materials.

At TCW, we understand the importance of clinical waste management and are dedicated to providing our clients with safe, reliable, and compliant solutions.

Not only have we collaborated with 2000+ medical institutions and hospitals across UK but we also have a team of experienced professionals who are trained to handle of all types of clinical waste, including sharps, pharmaceuticals, and pathology waste, ensuring that your clinical waste is handled with the utmost care and safety.

How do you treat the waste?

Ideally, this involves four steps: Segregation, Storage, Treatment, and Disposal. We utilize state-of-the-art equipment and technologies to ensure that all clinical waste is disposed of in a manner that complies with the latest regulations and guidelines.

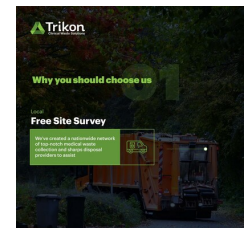
Our team is committed to working with you to develop a tailored clinical waste management program that meets your specific needs and requirements, providing you with peace of mind and ensuring that your waste is [handled responsibly](#) and sustainably.

In addition to our clinical waste management services, we also offer education and training programs to help healthcare facilities understand the importance of proper clinical waste management and the steps they can take to ensure compliance.

By choosing Trikon for your clinical waste management needs, you can be confident that your waste is being handled by a trusted and experienced partner, committed to protecting public health and the environment.

What about the carbon footprint? Won't the disposing of waste affect global warming?

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In a way it does, but then there is a prescribed way provided by the government that we abide by. There is certain waste that needs to be disposed of and cannot be recycled. This is usually done through an autoclave or high temperature; which contributes the most to the carbon footprint. However, certain categories can be recycled, these caused the lowest carbon footprint.

What is the way forward?

We have undertaken 8-9 projects in a span of 10 months. With all my experience, I believe, being responsible is the only way forward. The hospitals, factories, mills, and any facility which are contributing towards waste of any kind need to be responsible enough to ensure that the waste is disposed of responsibly. They need to understand that the waste produced is immensely harmful to society. This is where we come into the picture and ensure that it is done the correct way.

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