

# Facilities + Engineering Controls Hazardous Drugs Readiness Checklist



	Completed	In Progress	To Be Addressed	Responsible Individual
HDs must be handled under conditions that promote patient safety, worker safety and environmental protection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Signs designating the hazard must be prominently displayed before the entrance to the HD handling areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Access to areas where HDs are handled must be restricted to authorized personnel to protect persons not involved in HD handling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
HD handling areas must be located away from breakrooms and refreshment areas for personnel, patients or visitors to reduce exposure likelihood	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Designated areas must be available for: - Receipt and unpacking - Storage of HDs - Nonsterile HD compounding – if performed in the entity - Sterile HD compounding – if performed in the entity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Negative pressure in certain areas is <b>required</b> to contain HDs and minimize risk of exposure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Receipt</b>				
Antineoplastic HDs and all HD APIs must be unpacked in an area that is neutral / normal or negative pressure relative to its surroundings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
HDs must not be unpacked from their external shipping containers in sterile compounding areas or in positive pressure areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Storage</b>				
HDs must be stored in a manner that prevents spillage or breakage of containers if they fall	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
In areas with risk of natural disasters (e.g., earthquakes) the storage practice must meet applicable safety precautions (e.g., secured shelving and raised front lips shelving)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Antineoplastic HDs requiring manipulation other than counting or repackaging of final dosage forms and any HD APIs must be stored separately from non-HDs in a manner that prevents contamination and personnel exposure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
The above HDs and HD APIs must be stored in an externally ventilated, negative pressure room with at least 12 air exchanges per hour (ACPH)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Refrigerated antineoplastic HDs must be stored in a dedicated refrigerator in a negative pressure area with at least 12 air changes per hour (ACPH) (e.g. containment segregated compounding area (C-SCA) or storage room)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Compounding</b>				
Engineering controls are required to protect the preparation from cross-contamination and if sterile, microbial contamination. Engineering controls for containment are divided into three categories of engineering control: 1. Primary – The primary engineering control (C-PEC) is a ventilated device designed to minimize worker and environmental HD exposure when directly handling HDs 2. Secondary – The secondary engineering control (C-SEC) is the room in which the C-PEC is placed 3. Supplementary – An example of a supplementary engineering control is a closed-system drug transfer device				
<b>Sterile and Nonsterile Compounding</b>				
Sterile and nonsterile HDs <b>must</b> be compounded within the C-PEC located in the C-SEC. The C-SEC used for sterile and nonsterile compounding <b>must</b> :				
Be externally vented	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Be physically separated (i.e., a different room from other preparation areas)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have appropriate air exchange (e.g., ACPH)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have negative pressure between 0.01 and 0.03 inches of water column relative to all adjacent areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
The C-PEC <b>must</b> operate continuously if it supplies some or all of the negative pressure in the C-SEC or if it is used for sterile compounding. If there is any power loss to the C-PEC, or if repair or moving occurs, all activities occurring in the C-PEC <b>must</b> be suspended immediately (If necessary, follow the manufacturer's recommendations for closure and restart)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
A sink <b>must</b> be available for hand-washing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
An eyewash station and/or emergency or safety precautions that meet applicable laws and regulations <b>must</b> be readily accessible	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Water sources and drains <b>must</b> be located at least 1 meter (3.28084 feet) away from the C-PEC	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Compounding sterile and nonsterile HDs:				
The respective C-PECs <b>must</b> be placed in separate rooms (unless those C-PECs used for nonsterile compounding are sufficiently effective that the room can continuously maintain ISO 7 classification throughout the nonsterile compounding activity)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sterile and nonsterile compounding are done in the same room - They must be at least 1 meter (3.28084 feet) apart and particle-generating activity must not be performed when sterile compounding is in process	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Nonsterile Compounding</b>				
In addition to the <800> chapter standards, nonsterile compounding <b>must</b> follow the standards in USP <795> Pharmaceutical Compounding – Nonsterile Preparations. Engineering controls C-PEC <b>are not required</b> if manipulations are limited to handling of final dosage forms (e.g., counting or repackaging of tablets or capsules) that do not produce particles, aerosols or gases.				
C-PECs used for manipulation of nonsterile HDs: C-PEC must be placed in a C-SEC that has at least 12 ACH	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Surfaces such as ceilings, walls, floors, fixtures, shelving, counters and cabinets <b>must</b> be smooth, impervious, free from cracks and crevices and non-shedding to allow cleaning of the area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
HDs <b>must</b> be: Vented – externally preferred or have redundant-HEPA filters in a series	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Performed in a C-PEC that provides personnel and environmental protection, such as Class I Biological Safety Cabinet (BSC) or Containment Ventilated Enclosure (CVE)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Sterile Compounding</b>				
NOTE: In addition to this <800> chapter, sterile compounding <b>must</b> follow standards in <797>.				
All C-PECs used for manipulation <b>must</b> be externally vented	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sterile HD compounding <b>must</b> be performed in a C-PEC that provides an ISO Class 5 or better air quality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Laminar airflow workbench (LAFW) or compounding aseptic isolator (CAI) <b>must not</b> be used for the compounding of an antineoplastic HD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
The C-PEC <b>must</b> be located in a C-SEC (ISO Class 7 anteroom preferred)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
If the C-PEC is placed in a C-SCA, the beyond-use date (BUD) of all compounded sterile preparations (CSPs) prepared <b>must</b> be limited as described in <797> for CSP prepared in a segregated compounding area. (See Engineering Controls for Sterile HD Compounding in <800> for more information.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>ISO Class 7 Buffer Room with an ISO Anteroom</b>				
NOTE: The C-PEC is placed in an ISO Class 7 room that has fixed walls, HEPA-filtered supply air, a negative pressure between 0.01 and 0.03 inches of water column relative to all adjacent areas and a minimum of 30 ACH.				
Buffer room <b>must</b> be externally vented	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
The following is <b>required</b> : Minimum of 30 ACH of HEPA-filtered supply air	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Maintain a positive pressure of at least 0.02 inches of water column relative to all adjacent areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Maintain an air quality of ISO Class 7 or better	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
NOTE: An ISO Class 7 anteroom with fixed walls is necessary to provide inward air migration of equal cleanliness classified air into the negative pressure buffer room to contain any airborne HD.				
Hand-washing sink <b>must</b> be placed in the anteroom at least 1 meter (3.28084 feet) from the entrance to the HD buffer room	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Although not recommended by facility design, if the negative-pressure buffer room is entered through a positive-pressure non-HD buffer room, the following is <b>required</b> : - Line of demarcation must be defined within the negative-pressure buffer room for donning and doffing PPE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
A method of transportation HDs, HD CSP and HD waste in and out of the buffer room to minimize contamination. This may be accomplished by a pass through chamber between the negative-pressure buffer area and adjacent space. The pass-through chamber must be included in the facility's certification to ensure that particles are not compromising the air quality in the negative-pressure buffer room	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
A refrigerator pass-through <b>must not</b> be used	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Containment Segregated Compounding Area (C-SCA)</b>				
NOTE: The C-PEC is placed in an unclassified C-SCA that has fixed walls, a negative pressure between 0.01 and 0.03 inches of water column relative to all adjacent areas and a minimum of 12 ACPH.				
C-SCA <b>must</b> be externally vented	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Containment segregated compounding area <b>must</b> have a hand-washing sink 1 meter (3.28084 feet) from C-PEC and may be either inside the C-SCA or directly outside the C-SCA	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
HD CSPs prepared in the C-SCA <b>must not</b> exceed the BUDs described in <797> for CSPs prepared in a segregated compounding area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Containment Supplemental Engineering Controls</b>				
NOTE: Containment supplemental engineering controls, such as closed-system drug-transfer devices (CSTD), provide adjunct controls to offer an additional level of protection during compounding or administration. However, there is no certainty that all CSTDs will perform adequately. Until a published universal performance standard for evaluation of CSTD containment is available, users should carefully evaluate the performance claims associated with available CSTDs based on independent, peer-reviewed studies and demonstrated containment reduction.				
CSTD <b>must not</b> be used as a substitute for a C-PEC when compounding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
CSTD <b>must</b> be used when administering antineoplastic HDs when the dosage form allows	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
CSTDs known to be physically or chemically incompatible with a specific HD <b>must not</b> be used for that HD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	