## Board Adopts Final Amendments to its Potentially Infectious Medical Waste Rules

On August 22, 2019, the Board adopted final, non-substantive amendments to its potentially infectious medical waste (PIMW) rules (35 Ill. Adm. Code 1420, 1421, 1422). The PIMW rules address the treatment, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation, and disposal of PIMW, and apply to PIMW generators, transporters, and receiving facilities. These final amendments streamline, update, and clarify the PIMW rules.

At its August 13, 2019 meeting, the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules issued a "Certification of No Objection" to the Board's proposed second-notice amendments, subject to a handful of non-substantive changes which the Board included in the final amendments. This rulemaking is captioned <u>Amendments to 35 Ill. Adm. Code Subtitle M: Biological Waste</u>, docket R18-29. Here are links to the Board's (1) <u>final opinion and order</u> and (2) <u>addendum</u> containing the adopted rule text. For more information, please contact Tim Fox (312-814-6085, Tim.Fox@Illinois.Gov).