

Needlestick/Sharp Device Training

- Why this training presentation?
 - Safety of our care center team members
 - Reduce the number of needlesticks
 - Share industry statistics
 - Describe proper handling of needles

- **I Practice Safe Behaviors in Everything I do**
 - Know and follow all safety policies and procedures
 - Safely deliver on Courtesy, Convenience, and Efficiency
 - Be aware of surroundings and the hazards that may be present
- **I Take Action to Always Put Safety First**
 - Identify, correct and immediately report safety concerns
 - Ensure protected patient information remains confidential
 - Ask, “Is there a safer way?”
- **I Speak up to Ensure the Safety of Others**
 - Demonstrate care for the safety of others (*PHI, needles, tidiness, etc.*)
 - Appreciate and encourage the safety efforts of others



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- Statistics
 - Approximately 800,000 sticks in the US annually
 - Around 16,000 are likely to be HIV contaminated
 - Continues to be a serious hazard for healthcare workers
 - Has a high risk of infection

- The 3 most serious infections are:
 - HIV
 - Hepatitis B
 - Hepatitis C

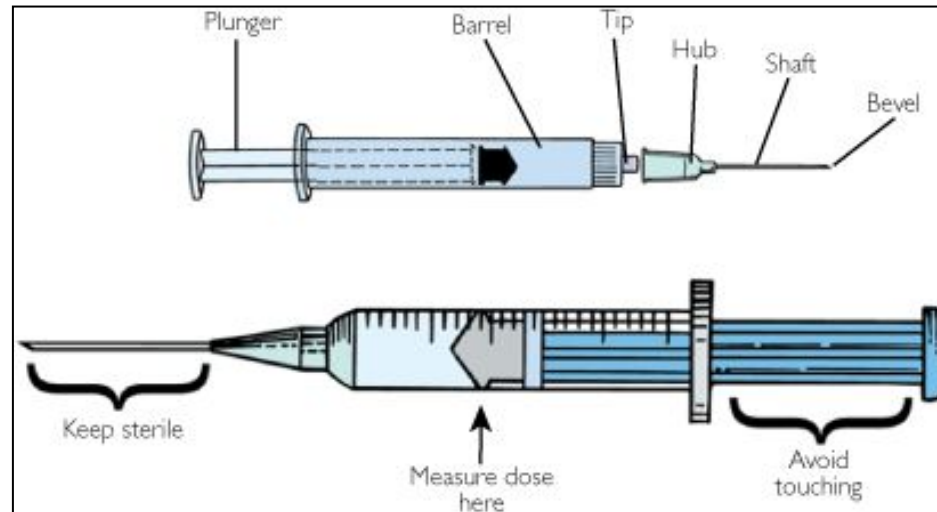
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- Situations where needlesticks can occur:
 - During medical procedures
 - Recapping needles
 - Disposing of needles

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■ Components of a needle:

- Plunger
- Barrel
- Tip
- Hub
- Shaft
- Bevel



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- Using a needle to draw-up medication:
 - Wipe top of medication vial with alcohol pad
 - Remove cap from syringe, exposing the needle
 - Insert the needle into the medication vial, through the rubber stopper
 - Draw-up the correct medication amount

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- Discarding the draw-up needle:
 - Use the “one-handed scoop” method when recapping the needle
 - Demonstration video linked below
 - Secure the needle by gently pushing the cap against a hard surface
 - Twist at the hub to remove the needle from the syringe
 - Place the discarded needle in the sharps container immediately



* Click on the syringe to access the One-Handed Scoop Technique Video Link

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- Preparing the syringe for injection /discard:
 - Place a safety needle on the syringe
 - Inject the patient
 - Cover the exposed needle with the safety device
 - Place the syringe, with the needle connected to the syringe, into the sharps container immediately

- * Safety Reminder
 - ❑ Never put your fingers into the sharps container
 - ❑ If the needle has tubing attached to it, hold both the needle and the tubing while placing them in the sharps container

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- Handling sharps devices safety tips:
 - Leave the sharp object covered until it is time to use it
 - Keep the sharp object pointing away from you at all times
 - Keep your fingers away from the tip of the sharp object
 - Never recap or bend a sharp object

- Team environment safety reminder:
 - Never hand a sharps object to someone else
 - If in the same exam room/local area, inform your fellow team members when and where you plan on setting the sharps object down
 - Never put a sharps object on a tray for another team member to pick-up or discard

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- Immediately after the needlestick injury:
 - Let the wound bleed for a moment
 - Thoroughly clean the wound:
 - ❑ Wash with soap & water / saline solution
 - ❑ Wipe wound with an alcohol pad except for eye and/or mouth exposure
 - Be seen by our provider
 - ❑ Blood draw must be performed within the first 24 hours, which establishes a baseline
 - ❑ Additional blood draw(s) may be performed in the future

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- Reporting the needlestick injury:
 - Report the incident, on the same day of the injury, to your Manager
 - Complete an Incident Report form and send the completed report to our Corporate, to info@ModernMDuc.com

* Safety Reminder

- Review the Bloodborne Pathogen Exposure Control Plan