

Sample Safe Injection Practices Survey

This survey may be used to observe staff practices as a first step toward improving injection safety.

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Date _____

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	Vials						
	Entry to multi-dose vials is always done with new needles or cannulas and syringes—these items are single use only.						
	Multi-dose vials are discarded immediately if inadvertently entered with a used needle, cannula, or syringe.						
	When possible, multi-dose vials are not used for more than one patient, even if entered each time with new needles and syringes.						
	Left over parenteral medications are never pooled for later administration.						
	Needles are never left inserted in any vial septum for multiple withdrawals.						
	Single dose vials are discarded after a single entry.						
	IV bags and administration sets						
	Bags of IV solutions are not used as common sources of supply for more than one patient.						
	New syringes, needles, or cannulas are used each time an IV line or bag is accessed.						

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	Needles/syringes						
	Sterile, single use syringes are always used for any type of injection or infusion.						
	Needles, cannulas, and syringes are always used as single use items and are never re-used on other patients or to access medications or solutions more than once.						
	Medications are never administered from the same syringe or needle to more than one patient.						
	Used needles are discarded immediately after use and are not recapped, bent, cut, removed from the syringe, or otherwise manipulated.						
	Aseptic technique						
	Medications are prepared and drawn in clean areas that do not have other biological materials, used equipment or food present.						
	Hand hygiene is performed at appropriate times during medication preparation and administration.						
	Disposable gloves are worn according to facility policy.						
	Skin at the injection/insertion site is prepared with an appropriate antiseptic which is allowed to dry for the recommended period of time.						

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	Aseptic technique (con't)						
	The injection/insertion site is not touched after skin antisepsis occurs.						
	Medication vial septums and IV ports are disinfected before each entry.						
	Sharps containers						
	Containers are located at points of use where needed.						
	Containers are leak-proof, puncture-resistant, and are red in color or labeled with a biohazard symbol.						
	Containers are emptied when 2/3 full.						
	Containers are either wall mounted or otherwise stabilized.						
	Safety devices						
	Sharps with engineered safety devices, blunt cannulas and needleless IV entry devices are used when suitable devices exist.						
	The safety devices are activated immediately after each use.						
	Additional safety devices staff would like to have available:						