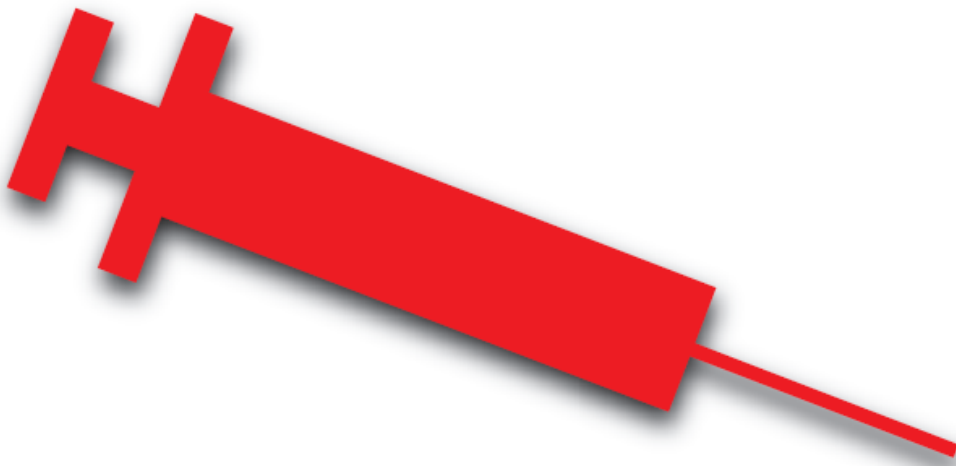


SHARPS SAFETY



SHARPS INJURY DEALING WITH NEEDLESTICK INJURIES

PREVENT NEEDLESTICK INJURY

- 1 Never resheath a needle
- 2 Always dispose of sharps at point of use
- 3 The user is responsible for safe disposal
- 4 Seal sharps bin when 3/4 full
- 5 Ensure source and date are completed on sharps box
- 6 Sharps containers are for the disposal of sharps only

WHAT TO DO

- 1 Bleed (gently) the wound
- 2 Wash the wound under warm running water
- 3 Apply waterproof dressing
- 4 Report to line manager
- 5 Complete incident form
- 6 Contact A&E, Walk in Centre or Occupational Health
- 7 Refer to policy (Infection Control Manual) for more details
- 8 Arrange follow up with Occupational Health

IS YOUR HEPATITIS B VACCINATION UP TO DATE?