

Needlestick Protocol

- Immediately dispose of the sharps safely.
- Immediately wash out the area thoroughly with soap and water.
- Report incident to your Synapses IOM manager and the hospital/clinic circulating nurse. The patient's blood must be drawn immediately to be sent for analysis. Additionally, arrangements for you to have your blood drawn/tested will need to be made at the facility of incident, or other hospital/clinic.
- If patient's blood result is negative, report to the facilities occupational health center to have your blood drawn/tested. If occupational health does not exist, then arrangements will be made for testing at an off-site health center.
- Document the incident in detail for the hospital incident report, workers' compensation, and your own records.

