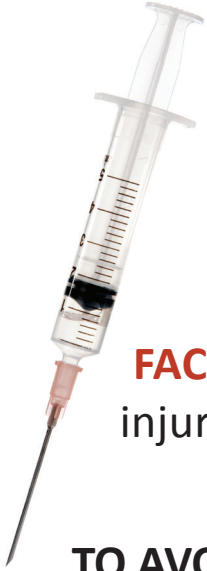




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# RISK REMINDER



## Get the Point!

**FACT:** Needlesticks are one of the most common work-related injuries within the health care industry!

### TO AVOID NEEDLESTICKS:

**DO NOT** bend, recap, shear, or break needles or other sharps.

**DO NOT** dispose of sharps by placing them in the standard trash receptacles where custodial or other housekeeping personnel could sustain injuries.

**DO** place used sharps in an appropriate puncture-resistant, leak-proof container immediately after use.

**DO** report any sharps containers that need to be emptied or are not easily accessible.

**DO** request sharps containers for any areas where sharps are used.



### TO FURTHER PROTECT YOURSELF:

**DO** get the HBV vaccine offered by your employer. If you choose not to get the vaccine, be sure to sign a declination form.

**DO** report any exposure incident to your supervisor immediately.

**DO** attend training sessions provided by your employer.

**For more information, contact your Loss Control Consultant at (888) 562-7861**

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