

# **PROPER DISPOSAL NEEDLE SAFETY**

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# BLOODBORNE PATHOGEN AWARENESS



# IDENTIFY OCCUPATIONS WITH POTENTIAL HAZARDS

- **HISTORY**

- **HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES**
- **NURSES, DOCTORS, LAB PERSONNEL**
- **DENTAL OFFICE PERSONNEL**
- **LABORATORY PERSONNEL**

- **CURRENT**

- **PUBLIC WORKS**
- **LAW ENFORCEMENT**
- **CONVENIENT STORE PERSONNEL**
- **PARKS AND RECREATION**
- **MOTELS**
- **UTILITY PERSONNEL**
- **WRECKER SERVICES**

# WHAT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY?

- **DETERMINATION OF EMPLOYEE EXPOSURE**
- **IMPLEMENTATION OF VARIOUS METHODS OF EXPOSURE CONTROL,**  
**INCLUDING:**
  - UNIVERSAL PRECAUTIONS**
  - ENGINEERING AND WORK PRACTICE CONTROLS**
  - PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT**
  - HOUSEKEEPING**
- **HEPATITIS B VACCINATION**
- **POST EXPOSURE EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP**
- **COMMUNICATION OF HAZARDS TO EMPLOYEES/TRAINING**
- **RECORD KEEPING**
- **OSHA GUIDELINES**

# HOW TO PROPERLY DISPOSE



## **DO:**

- **Use a pair of tongs, pliers or tweezers to pick up the needle**
- **Rubber gloves**
- **Pointing the needle tip down and away from you**
- **Put the needle in a hard plastic container several millimeters thick with a tight lid**

## **DO NOT:**

- **touch the object**
- **recap**
- **bend**
- **purposely break or remove the needle from the syringe**

