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What to do in the event of a Sharps Injury?

Procedure to follow

- Encourage the wound to bleed
- > Wash wound under running water with plenty of soap
- Do not scrub the wound while you are washing it- do not suck wound.
- Dry wound and apply a waterproof plaster or dressing you should also seek urgent medical advice as you may need treatment to reduce the risk of getting an infection:
- > Inform your manager or shift leader of incident
- Inform GP / occupational health or visit A & E if advised or unable to access GP on the day.





For further advice please contact the Community Infection Prevention and Control Team:-Telephone 01204 390982.