



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 4723-20-05 Handling and disposal of a sharp or waste.

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(A) To prevent injury, a licensee or certificate holder performing or participating in an exposure-prone activity shall not recap a needle, or purposely bend or break a needle or other sharp instrument or item by hand.

(B) After a licensee or certificate holder, who is performing or participating in an exposure-prone activity, uses a disposable needle, syringe, scalpel blade or other sharp item, the licensee or certificate holder shall place the disposable sharp item used in a puncture-resistant container for disposal. The puncture-resistant container shall be located as close as practicable to the use area.

(C) In addition to the requirements of this rule, any sharp instrument, needle or contaminated waste shall be handled and disposed in accordance with all requirements established by the licensee or certificate holder's employer, facilities or organizations in which the licensee or certificate holder is providing care, and requirements established for independent providers by Ohio departments under Title 51 of the Revised Code the delivery of home care.
