



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 4731-17-05 Handling and disposal of sharps and wastes.

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(A) To prevent injuries, no licensee performing or participating in invasive procedures shall recap needles, or purposely bend or break needles or other sharp instruments or items by hand.

(B) After a licensee who is performing or participating in an invasive procedure uses disposable needles, syringes, scalpel blades or other sharp items, the licensee shall place the disposable sharp items used in a puncture-resistant container for disposal. The puncture-resistant container shall be located as close as practicable to the use area.

(C) All sharp items and contaminated wastes shall be disposed of according to requirements established by federal, local and state environmental or regulatory agencies.
