

**NEEDLESTICK AND SHARPS INJURY PROTOCOL**

- 1. Report the injury to the doctor or office manager immediately.
- 2. Call Dental Works immediately after reporting the injury to the doctor.  
**860-432-7215**
- 3. Seek immediate medical attention by reporting to a medical facility, walk-in clinic, hospital, or a physician, for treatment.

Per OSHA, sharps are objects that can penetrate a worker's skin, such as needles, scalpels, broken glass, capillary tubes or the exposed ends of dental wires, which have been exposed to blood or other potentially infectious materials.

Proper disposal and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) should be stressed at all times while at the dental site. Careful handling of contaminated sharps can prevent injury and reduce the risk of infection.

I understand the above protocol and will comply with reporting such incident if it should occur. Failure to do so could result in a worker being infected with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), hepatitis B virus (HBV), hepatitis C virus (HCV), and other blood borne pathogens. OSHA's standard protocol specifies measures to reduce these types of injuries and the risk of infection.

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**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_