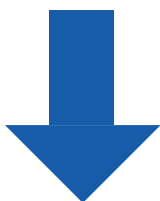


I found a needle. Now what?

Safe Disposal



Call for Help

- If you don't have the supplies available to safely dispose of a needle, please call:

 **519-383-8331**

*response may not be immediate

STEPS to safe needle disposal

- Treat all needles and drug equipment as contaminated

1



Put on gloves to protect yourself from fluid contamination (they won't protect against punctures or cuts).

2



Pick up the needle with BBQ tongs or tweezers by the middle of the plastic tube with the sharp end facing down. If there are multiple needles, pick them up one at a time.

3



Place the needle in a puncture proof, sealable container starting with the sharp end first. Close the container tightly.

4

SAFE DISPOSAL

Dispose container at a 24-hour community sharps disposal bin or bring to Lambton Public Health.

Locations map of disposal bins:
www.lambtonpublichealth.ca



I got poked by a needle. What do I do?

Remain calm. Allow the wound to bleed freely. Wash the wound with soap and water. Apply a sterile, waterproof bandage and seek immediate medical attention.



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