Sharps Injury Reduction through Education and Awareness Programme



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Risks of Sharps Injury

- One of the occupational hazards
- Increased risk of transmission of bloodborne pathogens, especially hepatitis B (HBV), hepatitis C (HCV), and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)



Education and Awareness Programme

- 1. Newly recruited medical and nursing staff is required to attend the mandatory induction programme for sharps injury.
- 2. For the workplace with high prevalence of sharp injuries, it was requested to set up a safety training resources kit/ package in their department and arrange refresher training to their HCWs on the prevention of sharps injury.
- 3. Infection Control Nurses (ICNs) introduced safety devices and safe practices through road show in high risk areas and launched case scenarios sharing session in Sharp Injury Prevention Week.
- 4. To increase staff alertness and awareness on sharp injuries, monthly feedback the incident to HCWs on sharps injury.

Prevention of sharp injury







Create safe environment for blood collection in blood taking station



Proper handling and dispose of sharps

Prevention of sharp injury

- Update department specific training resources kit
- Sharp Injury Prevention Induction Program for new staff
- Sharp Injury Prevention Week

