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All JCU Campuses



Needle-stick injuries can cause considerable anxiety because of the fear of contracting blood-borne diseases such as HIV, hepatitis B and hepatitis C as well as other diseases such as tetanus. Where needles/syringes are used at JCU, it is important that they are disposed of promptly and safely to ensure staff, students and others are not harmed.

- being alert for concealed needles;
- not placing hands in areas or objects ~~being~~ wearing appropriate footwear;
  - using puncture-resistant gloves if these are provided;
- contact Security; or
- place it safely in a rigid-walled, puncture resistant container;
- secure the container.

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