



Needle Recapping Justification

Recapping of needles is discouraged, as it can result in accidental needlestick injuries and can lead to exposure to hazardous chemicals and infectious biological agents. However, if recapping or manual manipulation cannot be avoided, please provide a written justification below.

Choose the procedure that will be used to safely recap the needles:

- ☐ One-handed scoop method
- ☐ Mechanical device
- ☐ Lab-specific method

If you are using a lab-specific method, provide a written justification for the procedure used:

Additional guidelines:

- ❖ Place uncapped needles in a rigid tray during procedures and transportation.
- ❖ Blunt cannulas or safer needle devices such as retractable devices and needle locking mechanisms should be used wherever possible.
- ❖ Used disposable needles and syringes must be placed in a conveniently located sharps disposal container and discarded as infectious or hazardous waste, depending on the source of contamination.
- ❖ Refer to the EHS Exposure Control Plan and Biosafety Manual for additional information.