Practice safe usage and disposal of Sharps

Sharps: any sharp object used in the workplace such as needles, syringes with needles, razor blades, scalpels, or broken glassware.

Protecting yourself from sharps

1. Plan safe handling and disposal before beginning any procedure using needles; ideally there should be a sharps container readily available.
2. Participate in bio safety training.
3. Participate in the selection of safer needle technology.
4. Use devices with safety features when available.
5. Dispose of used needle devices promptly in sharps disposal containers; replace containers when necessary.
6. Tell your supervisor or manager about sharps-related hazards you have identified.
7. Report any needlestick and other sharps related injuries promptly to ensure you receive appropriate follow-up care.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE DISPOSAL OF SHARPS CONTACT EOHSS ext. 24352 or FHS SAFETY OFFICE ext. 24956

Purchasing Services currently sells disposal containers for all sharps.

PURCHASING CONTACT INFORMATION:
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