**Occupational Exposure to Bloodborne Pathogens Resources**

**Chapter 296-823 WAC**

**Helpful Tools**

**Sharps Injury Log**

Establishment Name: Click or tap here to enter text.

Year: Click or tap here to enter text.

The Bloodborne Pathogen rule requires that you establish and maintain a Sharps Injury Log to record all contaminated sharps injuries in a facility. The purpose of this log is to help you evaluate and identify problem devices or procedures that require attention.

The Sharps Injury Log need to do all of the following:

* Maintain sharps injuries separately from other injuries and illnesses kept on the Injury and Illness Log as required by WAC [296-27](https://www.lni.wa.gov/safety-health/safety-rules/chapter-pdfs/WAC296-27.pdf), Recordkeeping and Reporting;
* Include ALL sharps injuries that occur during a calendar year;
* Be retained for 5 years beyond the completion of that calendar year; and
* Preserve the confidentiality of affected employees.

Sample format for recording sharps injuries:

| **Date** | **Case/ Report No.** | **Type of Device**  *(Examples)*  *Syringe*  *Suture*  *Needle* | **Brand Name of Device** | **Work Area where injury occurred**  *(Examples)*  *Geriatrics*  *Lab* | **Brief description of  how the incident occurred**  *(Examples)*  *Procedure being done*  *Action being performed*  *Injection*  *Disposal, body part injured* |
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