

ATSL Sharps Awareness Training



Keep your team safe. Reduce risk. Meet UK legal duties.

Sharps injuries (needlestick, scalpel, lancet and broken ampoule cuts) can transmit serious blood-borne pathogens and cause lasting physical and psychological harm. UK law requires employers—especially in healthcare and adjacent settings—to assess, prevent and control sharps risks, provide safer sharps where practicable, train staff, and investigate incidents under the Health and Safety (Sharp Instruments in Healthcare) Regulations 2013.

What you'll learn (in 2 hours)

- **The risks & routes of exposure:** Percutaneous and mucocutaneous exposures; how injuries happen “before, during, and after” procedures and at disposal. [rcn.org.uk]
- **UK legal requirements:** Sharps Regulations, COSHH hierarchy of controls, incident reporting under RIDDOR. [hse.gov.uk], [legislation.gov.uk], [hse.gov.uk]
- **Safer sharps & safe systems of work:** Selection, deployment and practical use; avoiding recapping; correct bin placement and fill-line discipline. [hse.gov.uk]
- **Immediate response & follow-up:** First aid steps, PEP time windows, documentation and investigation. [doctlibrary...all.nhs.uk]
- **Human factors:** Fatigue, lighting, workflow and space—how they raise risk and how to mitigate

- Course delivered for 6 or more employees
- Course delivered at your business premises
- Multiple choice questionnaire
- Certificate valid for 2 years

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Stay safe. Stay informed.