

PROTOCOL

TITLE: **USE OF NON-SAFETY NEEDLES IN THE OPERATING ROOM**

PURPOSE:	To provide guidelines for the use of non-safety needles in a specific environment
LEVEL:	<input type="checkbox"/> Dependent <input type="checkbox"/> Independent <input type="checkbox"/> Interdependent
SUPPORTIVE DATA:	In certain procedures, the use of safety needles will compromise the accuracy of the procedure.
CONTENT STATEMENTS:	<p>The Operating Room may use non- safety needles specifically for surgical cases where the use of safety needles will compromise the procedure. The needles used for these procedures include:</p> <p>25g 1 1/2 in, 25g 5/8 in, 30g 1/2 in, 30g 1in.</p> <p>The following procedures include but are not limited to the use of non-safety needles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Eye SurgeryFacial SurgeryENT ProceduresOrtho/Podiatry ProceduresGYN Procedures
REFERENCE:	OSHA Blood Borne Pathogen Standard 29 CFR 1910.1030