



Division of Public and Behavioral Health Technical Bulletin

**Topic: Safe Injection Practices Online Training**

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To: All State-Licensed Healthcare Facilities

According to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), injected medicines are commonly used in healthcare settings for the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of various illnesses. Unsafe injection practices put patients and healthcare providers at risk of infectious and non-infectious adverse events and have been associated with a wide variety of procedures and settings. This harm is preventable. Safe injection practices are part of Standard Precautions and are aimed at maintaining basic levels of patient safety and provider protections. As defined by the World Health Organization (WHO), a safe injection does not harm the recipient, does not expose the provider to any avoidable risks and does not result in waste that is dangerous for the community.

To better assist your facility's efforts toward education of safe injection practices and the prevention of exposing patients and healthcare personnel to any avoidable risks, the Office of Public Health Informatics and Epidemiology is offering a free online training as noted below.

Safe Injection Practices Training
(0.5 CEUs available):

- Recommendations on the use of needles and intravenous delivery systems
- Common safety breaches
- Unsafe injection practices and disease transmission
- Dangerous misconceptions
- Single-use/single-dose vials vs. multi-use/multi-dose vials
- Glucose monitoring

Below is a link to the state of Nevada's Healthcare Associated Infections Prevention and Control (HAI) training and education webpage. On this page you will find the Safe Injection Practices training link:

[http://dph.nv.gov/Programs/HAI/dta/Training/Healthcare Associated Infection Prevention and Control \(HAI\) - Training Education/](http://dph.nv.gov/Programs/HAI/dta/Training/Healthcare%20Associated%20Infection%20Prevention%20and%20Control%20(HAI)%20-%20Training%20Education/)

To receive CEUs, print out the certificate of completion and send it to Kimisha Causey at kcausey@health.nv.gov.

For more information please visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):

<http://www.cdc.gov/injectionsafety/CDCsRole.html> and The One & Only Campaign:

<http://www.oneandonlycampaign.org/>

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