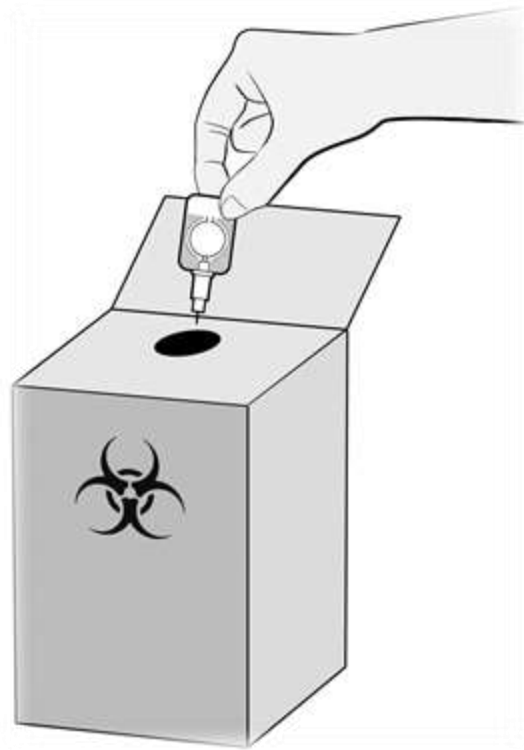


LESSON 6

Safe storage of Sayana Press and safe handling of sharps



LESSON 6

Learning objectives

- Explain how to safely store and transport Sayana Press.
- List the ways of handling needles safely.
- Describe how to protect yourself and your clients from infection and needle stick injury.
- Show how to assemble a safety box.

Safe storage and transport of Sayana Press

Sayana Press is stored and transported in the same way as DMPA in a vial:

- Store at room temperature (do not refrigerate).
- Store and transport out of direct sunlight and heat.
- Store out of reach of children and animals.

Safe handling of needles

Discard the needle immediately.



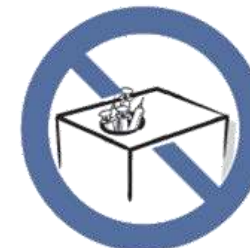
Do not touch the needle.



Do not recap the needle.



Do not dispose of used needles in anything other than a safety box.



Do not overfill the safety box.

Return the used safety box when it is 3/4 full to your supervisor or the health care facility.

Preventing infection

- Wash hands with soap and running water before and after giving an injection.
- Handle sharps carefully to reduce needle sticks.
- Always use a safety box.

Caring for a needlestick injury

- Right away: Wash the site with soap and running water only.
- Do not put anything else on the site after washing.
- Report needlestick injuries immediately to your supervisor.

GROUP ACTIVITY

Practice assembling a safety box

Instructions:

- Put a safety box together following the instructions on the box.



LESSON 6 QUIZ

What have you learned about safe storage of Sayana Press and safe handling of sharps?

1. How should Sayana Press be stored and transported?
2. What are the ways to handle needles safely?
3. What can you do to help prevent infection from a needlestick injury?
4. What should you do in case of a needlestick injury?