

# What to Do if You Suffer a Needlestick Injury



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Hold the wound under running water and encourage it to bleed.

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Wash the wound using running water and soap.

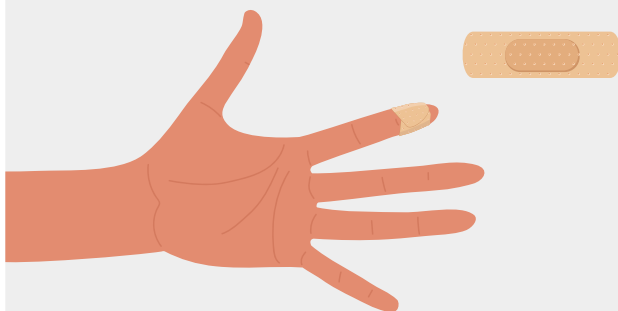
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Be gentle, **avoid scrubbing the wound.**



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Whatever you do, **never suck the wound.**



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Once you've washed it, dry the wound and cover it with a waterproof plaster or dressing.



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**Seek urgent medical advice** as you may need treatment to reduce the risk of infection.