

# MSU Environmental Health and Safety

## Safer Sharps Device Evaluation Form

Evaluator's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Device: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Manufacturer: \_\_\_\_\_

Applications of device: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of times used: \_\_\_\_\_

**Keep this form with your departmental records.**

Please circle the most appropriate answer for each question. A rating of one (1) indicates the highest level of agreement with the statement, five (5) the lowest. Not applicable (N/A) may be used if the question does not apply to this product.

**Please explain all problems with the device in the comments section.**

**Agree....Disagree**

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| 1. The safety feature can be activated using a one-handed technique.   | 1 2 3 4 5 N/A |
| 2. The user's hands remain behind the needle/sharp until activation of the safety mechanism is complete.                                   | 1 2 3 4 5 N/A |
| 3. The safety feature does not interfere with normal use of this product.  | 1 2 3 4 5 N/A |
| 4. Use of this product requires you to use the safety feature.   | 1 2 3 4 5 N/A |
| 5. A clear and unmistakable change (either audible or visible) occurs when the safety feature is activated.                                | 1 2 3 4 5 N/A |
| 6. The device is easy to handle while wearing gloves.  | 1 2 3 4 5 N/A |
| 7. The device is easy to handle when wet.  | 1 2 3 4 5 N/A |
| 8. This device does not require more time to use than a non-safety device.   | 1 2 3 4 5 N/A |
| 9. The safety feature operates reliably.   | 1 2 3 4 5 N/A |
| 10. The exposed sharp is blunted or covered after use and prior to disposal.   | 1 2 3 4 5 N/A |
| 11. The safety feature works well with a wide variety of hand sizes and with a left-handed person as easily as with a right-handed person. | 1 2 3 4 5 N/A |

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**Agree....Disagree**

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| 12. Use of this product does not increase the number of sticks to the patient.   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | N/A |
| 13. Sterilization (if applicable) of this device is as easy as a standard device.  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | N/A |
| 14. The product stops the flow of blood after the needle is removed from the catheter (or after the butterfly is inserted) and just prior to line connections or hep-lock capping. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | N/A |
| 15. The product does not require extensive training to be operated correctly.  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | N/A |
| 16. The device can be used without causing more patient discomfort than a conventional device.   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | N/A |

**Additional questions for I.V. Connectors:**

**Agree....Disagree**

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| 17. Use of this connector eliminates the need for exposed needles in connections.                                 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | N/A |
| 18. The safety feature allows you to collect blood directly into a vacuum tube, eliminating the need for needles. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | N/A |
| 19. The connector can be secured (locked) to Y-sites, hep-locks, and central lines.                               | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | N/A |

**Additional questions for Vacuum Tube Blood Collection Systems:**

**Agree....Disagree**

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|
| 20. The safety feature works with a butterfly.  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | N/A |
| 21. The inner vacuum tube needle (rubber sleeved needle) does not present a danger of exposure. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | N/A |

**Please rate the quality of the in-service training:    Exc.    Good    Fair    Poor**

**Would you recommend using this device?    Yes        No**

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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