

## Instructions for the use of the Monoject® Safety Syringe follow:

When feasible, “safety” syringe/needle systems will be used to reduce the risk of a contaminated needlestick exposure (when the needle will pierce human skin or be used with human blood, cells, body fluids, infectious agents, etc.). This requirement applies to clinical and laboratory (research) activities. When such a contamination risk will not be present, ordinary syringe/needle systems should be used. The Health System has stressed that at this time safety syringes are only to be used for giving injections that pierce the patient’s skin or have the potential to become contaminated with human blood or body fluids.

Ordering information on such “safety” syringe/needle systems (syringe has a safety shield) will be found in the “Safety” email shared folder.



1. After removal of the unit from packaging, make sure that the needle is secure by holding the needle cap in one hand and twisting the syringe with the other hand. Caution: Do not remove cap while tightening since even a sterile needlestick can be painful.



2. Then pull the needle cap straight off and draw the medication or sample while holding index finger against the finger flange.



3. Hold the flange/barrel with one hand. With the other hand temporarily extend the safety shield forward until you feel the positive stop and hear an audible snap. Do not twist safety shield at this point. The safety shield now provides temporary protection from a needlestick during transport to the patient or an instrument.



4. If the syringe contents must be injected, retract the safety shield straight back until it snaps into its original position. To avoid unexpected extension of the safety shield, keep one finger over the safety flange/safety shield during use.



5. Immediately following use, lock the safety shield in place by extending it forward fully until the click is heard. Then, lock safety shield permanently in place by twisting the shield in either direction until you feel the positive stop and hear the audible click. Do not try to unlock the safety shield. Dispose of the unit into a proper sharps container.



6. For these new style wall units, promptly place the used syringe/needle system on the white shelf and then lift the shelf up to dump the syringe into the container. Do change sharps containers frequently enough so that they never become overfilled. Prior to replacing the sharp container, lift up the white shelf fully and push down on the white tabs on the top to lock the shelf in place.