

What to Do if You Suffer a Needlestick Injury



- 1 Hold the wound under running water and encourage it to bleed.
- 2 Wash the wound using running water and soap.
- 3 Be gentle, **avoid scrubbing the wound.**



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



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



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