In 2014, of the UVA team member needle stick injuries, 43% occurred during the engagement, cleanup, and disposal of the device. In an effort to share this learning, the Team Member Injury coalition has developed the following standard work. (graph on back)

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<td><img src="image1" alt="Safety Needle" /></td>
<td>Safety Needle Supply Selection</td>
<td>Most common type of safety closure on needles used in the UVA care environment. Available products include syringe with attached safety needle and safety needle as single item</td>
<td>Decrease variation of method to engage safety device</td>
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<td><img src="image2" alt="Hard, Flat Surface" /></td>
<td>Engagement of Safety Device</td>
<td>Using a one-handed technique: 1. Engage device on flat, hard surface, 2. Applying gentle consistent pressure, 3. Use a 90 degree downward motion of the wrist, 4. Until Click is heard</td>
<td>Ensures safety mechanism is fully engaged</td>
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<td><img src="image3" alt="Don’t touch, Dispose asap" /></td>
<td>Cleanup and Disposal</td>
<td>Always treat an engaged safety device as a sharp. When picking up device which has been engaged, only touch the barrel. Place in sharp container as soon as possible. If disposing multiple sharps, place in sharp container one at a time. Ensure sharps container &lt; full line</td>
<td>Even though device has been engaged, there is still a risk of accidental stick with any sharp device</td>
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Are there barriers to performing this standard work? Is so, please let your UBL or manager know.

The Team Member Injury Coalition wants to know about your concerns.
**TMI Needlesticks (Non-Operating Room):**
When does the needlestick occur?
**Data Source:** CY 2014 Stix Database

![Bar Chart]

- **Safety Engagement / Cleanup/Disposal**: 35
- **Injecting**: 15
- **Performing/Assisting Procedure**: 10
- **Drawing Labs**: 7
- **Suturing Patient**: 5
- **Other**: 2

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