

Safe removal of scalpel blades from scalpel handles

The University has recently received an Improvement Notice from the State Government Division of Workplace Health and Safety as a consequence of a staff member sustaining a serious injury which was sustained during the process of removing a scalpel blade from a scalpel handle.

As a result of this Improvement Notice all staff who undertake this task must use a purchased blade removal system. The blade removal system will be available from the University Store. For further information contact the Occupational Health Nurse (address and telephone numbers below).

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