

Become a Safe Injection Champion

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Nebraska is one of 10 partner states for the One and Only Campaign and has prepared a web based course to train "Safe Injection Champions".

Unsafe injection practices put patients and healthcare providers at risk of infectious and non-infectious adverse events and have been associated with a wide variety of procedures and settings. This harm is preventable. Safe injection practices are part of Standard Precautions and are aimed at maintaining basic levels of patient safety and provider protections. As defined by the World Health Organization, **a safe injection does not harm the recipient, does not expose the provider to any avoidable risks and does not result in waste that is dangerous for the community.**



Q: What is a Safe Injection Champion?

A: A staff member at a healthcare facility that accepts the responsibility of monitoring and educating other staff at their facility on safe injection practices.

Q: What do I need to do to become a Safe Injection Champion?

A: Complete the online training, pass a competency examination, and assure that best practices are adhered to by all staff at your worksite.

Q: Where do I find information and access to the training?

A: The information about the program is on the Safe Injection Champion Program web page on the Nebraska DHHS website:

<http://dhhs.ne.gov/publichealth/HAI/Pages/SafeInjection.aspx>

Q: Is continuing education credit available for the training course?

A: Continuing education is available. The continuing education information is located on the Safe Injection Champion program web page.

Q: Is there a cost for the program?

A: No, this was funded by an Epidemiology and Laboratory Grant from the Centers for Disease Control.

Q: After the training program what am I expected to do?

A: Routinely monitor injection practices at your facility and train staff to use recommended practices every time an injection is given.

Our goal is to eliminate the risk to patients from unsafe injection practices by placing a Safe Injection Champion in every location where injections are given.

Please become a Safe Injection Champion.

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