

Name of Instrument: **Needlestick Injuries Survey Questionnaire**  
Author: Pamela Rowe and Maureen Giuffre

**Contact Info:**

**Name:** Pamela Rowe  
**Address:** Nursing Education  
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center  
Hanover, NH  
**Phone:**  
**Fax:**  
**E-mail:**

**Privacy Use Cost:** \$

**Public Use Cost:** \$

**Year Developed:** 1989

**Where to obtain Instrument:**

- Contact author

**Description of the Instrument**

- The questionnaire gathers easily quantifiable, specific data about where injuries occurred during the process of handling needles.
- The questionnaire contains:
  - 2 initial open-ended questions designed to elicit information on the type of device involved and where in the process of handling the device the injury occurred.
  - A checklist to assess if the injury occurred during an emergency situation, when aspirating specimens from collection containers, during or following diagnostic puncture procedures, or in disposing of the needle.
  - A third open-ended question asked why the needlestick injury occurred.

**Form of instrument:**

- Questionnaire/ Survey
- Injury Surveillance/Tracking tool

**Method of delivery:**

- In-person interview/assessment
- Phone Interview

**Relevance to injury / Percentage of the instrument specific to injury:**

- Gathers information regarding needlestick injury.

**Time to administer or complete the instrument**

- Less than 10 minutes.

**Methods of data analyses:**

- Quantitative
- Qualitative

**Setting/sample instrument used in:**

- 59 needlestick injuries reported by the nursing personnel in one month.

**Was it pilot tested?** Yes

**Pilot test sample:**

- 7 nurses reporting needlestick injuries.

**Reliability Measures****Validity Measures****Reference**

Rowe, P.M., & Giuffre, M. (1989). Evaluating needlestick injuries in nursing personnel. AAOHN Journal, 39(11), 503-507.

**Other References**

**Keywords:** needlestick, nurse, adult, injuries.