

## Appendix 5 RU Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Control Plan Form A: Comparison of Commercially Available Devices

Federal OSHA requires that healthcare facilities use safety sharps that have built-in safety features to prevent needlestick injuries. This requirement is also be enforced by NJ Public Employees Occupational Safety and Health (PEOSH). The OSHA Directive can be accessed at: <u>http://www.osha-slc.gov/OshDoc/Directive\_data/CPL\_2-2\_44D.html#FEDERAL</u>

Using product literature, samples, information from other institutions and additional data, RU Clinical sites may use **Form A**: 'A Comparison of Commercially Available Devices' to document the consideration of up to 3 different models of a safety device (if commercially available) for further hands-on evaluation by Practice clinicians.

Name of person(s) doing the comparison:

Clinical Department/Division:

Date:

Device(s) currently in use:

Device(s) being evaluated:

Device selected for use:

General Criteria for Devices Being Evaluated	Brand/Name	Brand/Name	Brand/Name
Does this device have a <b>passive (automatic)</b> safety mechanism?			
Can the safety mechanism be activated with <b>one</b> hand?			
Can the user tell when the safety mechanism has been activated?			
Are minimal changes in technique and use required?			
Is this product dependent upon other products or items? (Identify)			
Is the device compatible with products currently in use?			
Is the product available in typical size ranges?			
Does the manufacturer have adequate product and supply capability?			
Is the device used at affiliated institutions?			
Did the product get a good recommendation from facilities using the device (list institution(s))?			