

Preventing healthcare workers injuries from sharp objects: the way forward for Belgium

beMedTech, the Belgian federation of the medical technology industry, organized a survey on sharp object injuries among more than 950 nurses and lab technicians.

During this webinar, we will share the results of this survey. We will also present the actual state of play in Europe regarding the implementation of the sharp injuries directive and subsequently shed a light on the psychosocial impact of a sharp object incident on healthcare workers.

Next, we look at a case study from the Netherlands illustrating the switch from conventional equipment to safety equipment. Finally, we kick-off an awareness program with clear recommendations for the prevention of needlestick and cut accidents in Belgium.

PROGRAM:

Welcome

Marnix Denys, Managing Director beMedTech

Opening of the webinar

Dr. Maggie De Block, minister of Social Affairs and Public Health

Survey assessment on the implementation of the Sharps Injuries Directive 2010/32/EU & problems & action needed

Mrs. Simone Mohrs, Policy Officer at European Hospital and Healthcare Employers' Association (HOSPEEM) & Mr. Luca Scarpiello, Policy Staff Health and Social Services at European Federation of Public Service Unions (EPSU)

Results of a survey amongst nursing personnel and medical lab technicians

Prof. dr. Jef Hendrickx of the Research group Mathematics, Education, Econometrics and Statistics (MEES) at KU Leuven

The psychosocial impact of a needle stick incident

Dr. Hilde Vanacker, Prevention Advisor & Occupational Physician at Group IDEWE

The switch from conventional to safety equipment: case study Erasmus MC hospital

Mrs. Zita Kolder, Occupational Hygienist at Erasmus MC in Rotterdam, The Netherlands

Conclusions and recommendations

Mrs. Nawal Farih, member of the Belgian Chamber of Representatives and Vice President of the Commission Public Health

Closing

Marnix Denys

We gladly invite you for this webinar on Tuesday September 29th from 2 pm to 4 pm.

Please register by sending an e-mail to
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We look forward to welcoming you during this webinar.

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