

# Used Syringes Are Dangerous

## What to do if you see a used syringe (with needle):



Used syringes are dangerous.  
They can carry diseases.



If you see a used syringe,  
**NEVER pick it up.**



Contact the Health Department below

Provide details about the location of  
the syringe. If possible, stay with the  
syringe until authorities arrive.

**If you get stuck by the needle, seek medical attention immediately.**

**Although the risk of getting HIV is low, medicine called PEP (Post-Exposure Prophylaxis) may prevent HIV transmission if taken within 72 hours.**

**For more information please visit [www.cdc.gov/hiv](http://www.cdc.gov/hiv)**