MAKE **DOUBLE GLOVING**
YOUR **STANDARD PRACTICE**

All blood and body fluids are potentially hazardous
Do you comply with the recommended use of personal protective equipment and attire in the O.R.?

**PATHOGENS SUCH AS:**
- HBV
- HIV
- HCV

CAN BE TRANSFERRED WHEN A BREACH IN GLOVE INTEGRITY OCCURS

**30% OF ALL NURSE NEEDLESTICK INJURIES OCCUR IN THE OPERATING ROOM**
Second only to ward injuries

**BREACHES AND DEFECTS OF SURGICAL GLOVES HAVE BEEN FOUND:**
- IN 11-43% OF CASES
  - Depending on the duration of wear

**REDUCES GLOVE PERFORATIONS BY 71%**
- COMPARED TO ONE PAIR

Use of a coloured glove helps to identify when the outer glove is perforated 86% of the time

**DOUBLE GLOVING**

**REDUCES THE VOLUME OF BLOOD ON A SOLID SUTURE NEEDLE AS MUCH AS 95%**
- THEREBY REDUCING VIRAL LOAD IN THE EVENT OF A CONTAMINATED PERCUTANEOUS INJURY
- No negative impact on surgeon’s manual dexterity and tactile sensation

To reduce Health Care Workers Risk, Double Gloving is recommended by:
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- The Association of periOperative Registered Nurses (AORN)
- The American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons (AAOS)
- The American College of Surgeons (ACS)
- Occupational Safety and Health Association (OSHA)

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