

Long-Term Care Survey Alert

CLIP 'N' SAVE: Don't Get Stuck With An F328 Tag For Faulty Injections

Would your facility pass this survey probe?

In evaluating your compliance with F328, surveyors may take a close look at a sample of residents who received an injection within seven days of the survey. Here's what they will be looking for:

- Is proper administration technique used (i.e., maintenance of sterility; correct needle size, route)?
- Are there signs of redness, swelling, lesions from previous injections?
- If appropriate, is the resident observed for adverse reaction after the injection?
- Are syringes and needles disposed of according to facility policy and accepted practice (e.g., **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Occupational Safety and Health Administration guidelines**)?
- Do nursing notes indicate, as appropriate, the resident's response to treatment (e.g., side effects/adverse actions; problems at the injection site(s); relief of pain)?