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Are you at risk?

Did you know that during surgical procedures, 92% of glove punctures go unnoticed? Double gloving offers protection from the consequences of cross-infection and reduces the risk.

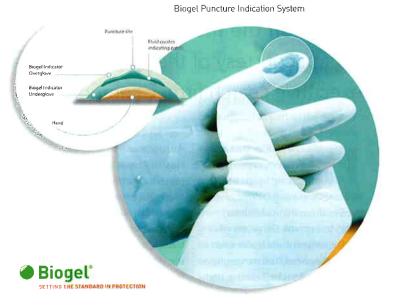
If you are double-gloving with the Biogel Puncture Indication System, you are choosing a solution that has been specifically engineered to show a change in colour contrast following a puncture. If a puncture occurs you have an immediate visual warning in the presence of fluid. If the outer glove is punctured, fluid penetrates between the two gloves and a dark patch alerts the wearer to the

puncture. To facilitate donning, the dark coloured underglove has a smooth surface which allows you to quickly and easily don the overglove. The Biogel Puncture Indicator System is available both in a synthetic and latex range.

Double gloving is a recommended practice by the Australian College of Operating Room Nurses (ACORN).

Why put yourself at risk?

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Breakthrough technology to dramatically enhance care

Australia's healthcare sector has begun implementing a new web-based technology, Q-Flow, to ensure quality of care is at the core of the patient experience.

The patient scheduling technology extends beyond queue management to enable surgeons and other hospital staff to accurately monitor the time they spend with each patient to improve patient scheduling and reduce waiting times.

With remote patient check in capability, the system can send a text message in the instance of appointment delays to avoid patients having to wait. Surgeons and other staff can also check appointment schedules and patient flow from a smart phone, bringing a new level of accessibility to the healthcare industry.

In Australia, the Q-Flow system, distributed exclusively by The NEXA Group, currently assists staff at Victoria's Cabrini Medical Imaging Department to manage 100,000 procedures annually.

The system has also been installed at The Prince Charles Hospital in Queensland as part of a major upgrade. Here it will manage the majority of people entering the hospital, from patients to visitors and those attending for tests.

