BD Vacutainer™ Blood Transfer Device

The use of a needle to transfer venous blood into a blood collection tube or culture bottle is both a prohibited practice and a dangerous procedure. The BD Vacutainer™ Blood Transfer Device was designed with your safety in mind. This pre-assembled, latex-free, single-use, sterile device undeniably reduces the risk of transfer related injuries while maintaining specimen integrity.

And the result?

Safer without exception. Quality without compromise.

The BD Vacutainer™ Blood Transfer Device is a one-piece, latex-free device that meets all procedural and safety standards for blood transfer.

“... If drawing blood with a syringe is necessary, engineering controls (engineered sharps injury protection) and safe work practices (including mechanical means of removal if available) must be used and needleless blood transfer devices must be implemented.”

Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA), US Department of Labor June 12, 2002 OSHA Standard Interpretation letter on the Re-use of blood tube holders.
How can you safely transfer blood from a syringe into an evacuated blood collection tube?

**METHODS OF COLLECTION:**

If blood is collected into the syringe without using a needle:

- Disconnect the blood-filled syringe from the I.V. port or needleless system used for venous access.

If blood is collected into the syringe using a safety-engineered hypodermic needle (BD Safety-Glide™ Needle or BD Eclipse™ Needle):

- Draw the blood into the syringe using your institution’s procedure.
- Ensure that the needle’s safety mechanism has been properly activated.
- Disconnect the blood-filled syringe from the activated safety-engineered needle.

If blood is collected into the syringe using a safety-engineered winged collection set (BD Safety-Lok™ Blood Collection Set or BD Saf-T E-Z™ Set):

- Draw the blood into the syringe using your institution’s procedure.
- Ensure that the wingset’s safety mechanism has been properly activated.
- Disconnect the blood-filled syringe from the activated safety-engineered wingset.

**APPROPRIATE TRANSFER:**

- Attach a BD Vacutainer™ Blood Transfer Device to the syringe.
- Insert an evacuated blood collection tube into the BD Vacutainer™ Blood Transfer Device/syringe assembly.
- Allow the blood to transfer from the syringe to the tube using the tube’s vacuum. Do not depress the plunger of the syringe.
- When the appropriate number of tubes are filled, dispose of the syringe and BD Vacutainer™ Blood Transfer Device as one unit according to your institution’s policies.

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**Reference Number** | **Description** | **Packaging**
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364880 | BD Vacutainer™ Blood Transfer Device | 50/box, 200/case

**Caution:** Handle all biologic samples and blood collection “sharps” (lancets, needles, Luer adapters and blood collection sets) according to the policies and procedures of your facility. Obtain appropriate medical attention in the event of any exposure to biologic samples (for example, through a puncture injury) since they may transmit viral hepatitis, HIV (AIDS), or other infectious diseases. Utilize any built-in needle protector if the blood collection device provides one. BD does not recommend reshielding used needles, but the policies and procedures of your facility may differ and must always be followed. Discard any blood collection “sharps” in biohazard containers approved for their disposal.

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