



Fundamentals of Laboratory Safety Incident or Near Miss Scenario

An animal care technician was injecting a non-human primate. After injection, the needle became separated from the syringe and remained stuck in the animal's skin.

The technician removed the needle from the animal then attempted to reconnect the syringe to the needle to discard the needle and the syringe simultaneously into the sharps disposal container.

The needle stuck the individual's finger.

Would this be considered an incident or a near miss?

Link to video job aid [Fundamentals of Laboratory Safety - Incident or Near Miss Scenario | OneLab REACH \(cdc.gov\)](#)