

Penetrating Object

Definition:

An object such as a knife or sharp stick can wound a person by penetrating the body or puncturing the skin.

Treatment:

- Wear disposable gloves.
- Stop any bleeding you can see with direct pressure.
- Try to keep the injured person from moving.
- Leave impaled objects in place; taking them out may cause more damage.
- Stabilize impaled objects with gauze and dressings.
- Send the person to the ER.