

SAMPLE TATTOO SHOP
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Piercing Risk Notification

There is no 100 percent guarantee of safety with application of body art. Some of the associated risks are listed below:

PIERCING INFECTIONS

Most bacterial infections due to piercing will heal with proper treatment. However, due to the personal nature of certain piercings or because of fear, patients are often reluctant to seek medical care. By neglecting medical attention, problems may later require irrigation or reconstructive surgery.

Staphylococcus aureus is the organism most common with infected piercings. Infections are marked by swelling and tenderness. They may also lead to abscesses. These bacterial infections are treated with antibiotics as well as irrigation and debridement. Group A Beta-hemolytic streptococci (GABHS) can sometimes be fatal. This bacterial infection may also lead to arthritis and shock.

Hepatitis B, C and D have been associated with body piercing. These diseases may be transmitted by sharing unsterilized needles between clients.

Human immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) could be transmitted by sharing unsterilized needles between clients, but has not been directly linked to body piercings to date.

ALLERGIES

Latex allergies occur in approximately 20% of the general population. The latex protein coming into contact with a person's skin causes the allergy. Powdered gloves increase the risk for these allergies to occur or develop.

Metal allergies from metals such as nickle plating can cause irritation and inflammation.