



EAR LOBE PIERCING SERVICES

WHAT TO LOOK FOR AND ASK:

- You have the right to ask the Personal Service Worker (PSW) to explain how they clean and disinfect their equipment before the service begins.
- The business must have a sink with liquid soap and paper towels for the PSW to wash and dry their hands.
- The PSW must wash their hands before they touch you.
- A new pair of disposable gloves must be used during ear lobe piercing.
- Jewellery must be pre-packaged and sterile; and should be opened by the PSW in front of you.
- Before piercing, your skin must first be disinfected using an antiseptic solution, such as 70% isopropyl alcohol or an iodine-based solution.
- Ear piercing guns can only be used on the fleshy part of the ear lobe.

SAFE HEALING:

- After your service, the PSW should give you verbal and written instructions on how to take care of your piercing.
- It is important to follow the instructions given to you by the PSW as infection can be caused by poor aftercare.
- Wash your hands before touching your ear piercing.
- If the skin around your ear piercing becomes painful, red or inflamed see a doctor.

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