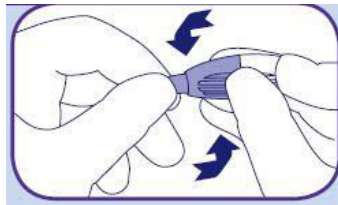
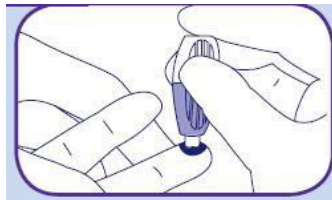


Finger tip Blood Collection Protocol

1. Firstly, assure parent and child that it won't hurt at all. Maybe offer a sticker when it's done.
2. Identify the desired puncture site as soon as you know consent for blood collection has been given and apply Ametop to numb the site.
3. Allow Ametop to work for a while (take throat swab in mean time and fill in all paperwork).
4. Optimise the blood collection by properly warming and cleansing the puncture site.
Warming the puncture site can increase blood flow by as much as 7-fold.
5. Clean the fingertip again and apply some paraffin if desired. This will help the blood collect in drops rather than spreading everywhere. This is an optional step.
6. Twist off the tab from the lancet to break the seal and discard.



7. Position the safety lancet firmly against the puncture site and hold it securely between your fingers.



8. To activate, press the lancet firmly against the puncture site and do not remove until you clearly hear a click sound.



9. Discard the lancet into a sharps bin.
10. Turn the hand over so the puncture site is facing downwards and gently apply intermittent pressure (do NOT milk).
11. Position the puncture site on the edge of the collection tube until a drop falls down the side. Flick or gently tap the collection tube so the drop runs down into the tube. Repeat this process until you have 500 microlitres (approx. 10 drops of blood).