Hep C Concerns After Insulin Shots for Connecticut Inmates

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At least 74 prisoners were put at risk for contracting hepatitis C virus (HCV) after a nurse made a mistake distributing insulin, NBC Connecticut reports. The Department of Correction and the University of Connecticut, which manages inmate health care for all state prisons, are investigating the incident, which occurred at MacDougall-Walker state prison in Suffield. Court records show the nurse stuck a diabetic prisoner living with hep C before realizing she didn't fill the needle with insulin. She put the same needle back in the vial and proceeded to give dozens of other diabetic inmates shots from the same vial. The nurse has been put on administrative leave. Testing is under way, but family members and inmates say they are receiving little information about the incident.

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