The Insufflation Needle incorporates a spring loaded blunt stylet mechanism. The needle is used to establish pneumoperitoneum prior to trocar and cannula insertion in laparoscopic procedures.

The Insufflation Needle consists of a stainless steel 14 gauge needle and spring loaded stylet that retracts backward as the needle is pushed through the abdominal tissue, then advances forward once the end of the needle exits through the anterior wall of the abdomen.

The Insufflation Needle is attached, at its proximal end, to a plastic handle which offers optimum control when inserting or removing from the abdomen during laparoscopic procedures.

The Insufflation Needle has a stopcock and a Luer Lock connector for insufflation tubing attachment.

Prior to insertion, inspect the Insufflation Needle to ensure that the stylet moves freely in and out of the needle with minimal pressure applied to the stylet. Do not attempt to use the needle if the stylet does not return over the sharp end when tension on the stylet is halted.

The Insufflation Needle offers optimal control during insertion.

The Insufflation Needle is inserted into the abdomen per standard insertion technique. Check to ensure that the Insufflation Needle is in the abdominal cavity and insufflate to desired pressure. Once insufflation is complete and the desired abdominal pressure is accomplished, remove the Insufflation Needle and proceed with the procedure.

Properly dispose upon completion of the procedure.

Indications
The Insufflation Needle, available in 120mm and 150mm lengths, has applications in gynecological laparoscopy, laparoscopic cholecystectomy and other laparoscopic procedures.

Contraindications
This device is not intended for use except as indicated. It is not intended for use when endoscopic techniques are contraindicated.

Warning and Precautions
Procedures for endoscopic surgery should be performed only by qualified and trained physicians familiar with endoscopic surgical technique.

A thorough understanding of the principles and techniques involved in laparoscopic laser and electrosurgical procedures is essential to avoid shock and burn hazards to both patient and medical personnel and damage to the device or other medical instruments. When endoscopic instruments and accessories from different manufacturers are employed together in a procedure, verify compatibility prior to initiation of the procedure and ensure that electrical insulation or grounding is not compromised.

Do not attempt to use the Insufflation Needle if the stylet is not functioning properly.

The Insufflation Needle is a sterile single use product and cannot be resterilized. Resterilization may compromise the integrity of the product which may result in unintended injury.

Attention
This brochure is to assist in the use of the Insufflation Needle. This is not an instructional reference to needle insertion and placement technique.