(57) Abstract: A transfer needle safety apparatus (10) including a guide port adapted to fit a variety of body fluid receptacle sizes. A sleeve (30) substantially fills the cavity inside a needle shield.
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A. **CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER**

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B. **FIELDS SEARCHED**

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