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## Student stabbed with needle free from virus

**IPOH:** A 17-year-old student who was stabbed with a hypodermic needle during a robbery last week is confirmed free from dangerous virus infection, like hepatitis and HIV.

Perak Health, Local Government, Consumer Affairs, Environment, Transport and non-Muslim Affairs Committee chairman Datuk Dr Mah Hang Soon said following the incident on Aug 16, the student was sent to Raja Permaisuri Bainun Hospital (HRPB) here for treatment.

"The medical report found him safe from any dangerous diseases. However, he is required to have another blood test in three months to ascertain he is clear of any dangerous virus infection," he added.

He said Chea Kiat Heong, from Sekolah Menengah Jenis Kebangsaan Sam Tet here, was attacked at a location which was not far from the school and a shopping complex.

Following the incident, Dr Mah, said police should step up patrol in the area.

Meanwhile, Chea's father, Chea Tsu Tong, 56, said his son was attacked on a pedestrian bridge to his school.

The attacker pushed my son from behind and then stabbed him with the needle before running off with his wallet, he added. - Bernama