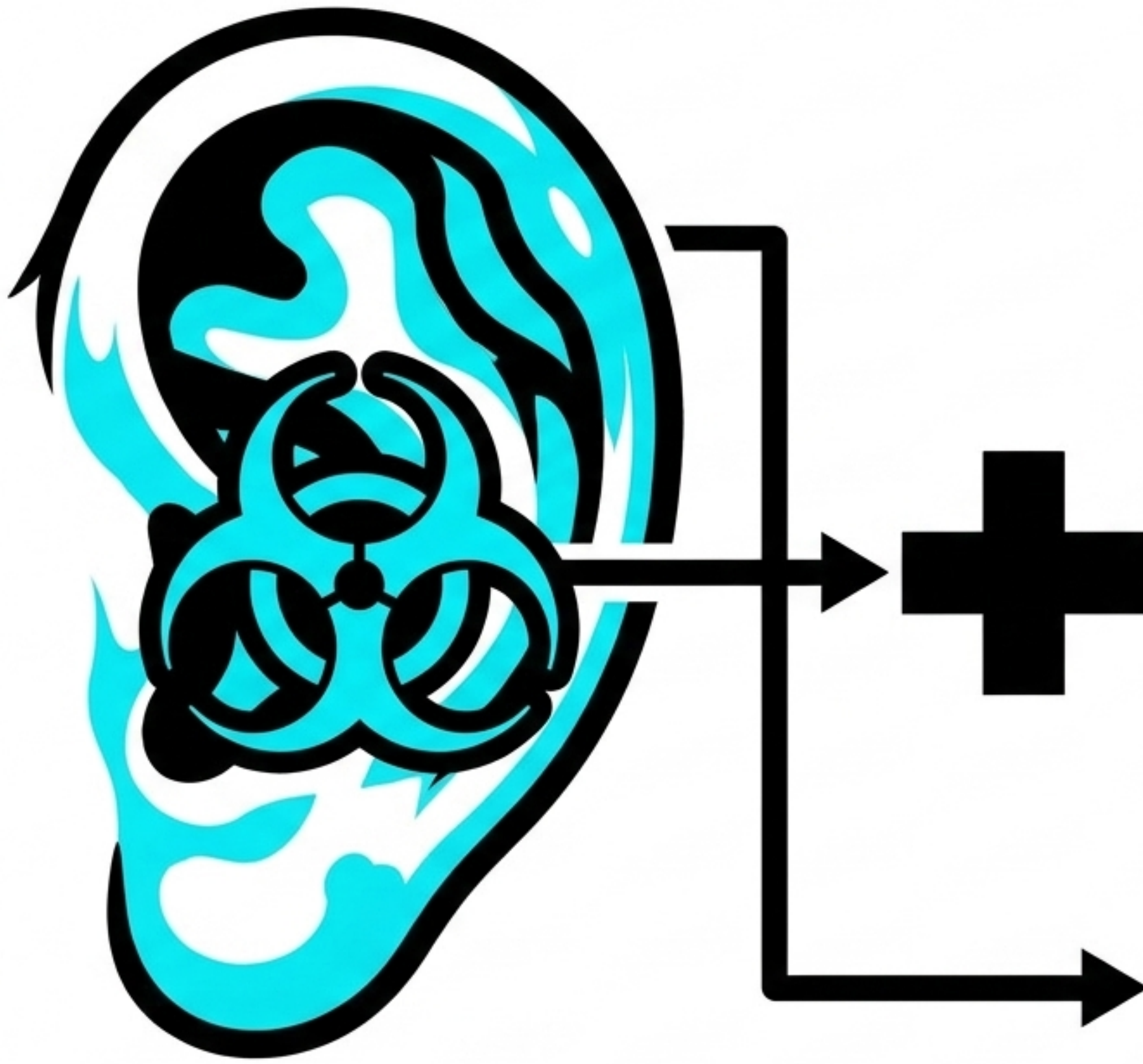




- 1. PUNCTURE SITES RISK INTRODUCING BACTERIAL PATHOGENS.**
- 2. INFECTION CREATES A SUBPERICHONDRAL ABSCESS.**
- 3. PUS SEPARATES THE PERICHONDRIUM FROM CARTILAGE.**
- 4. CARTILAGE DIES AND ALTERS EAR SHAPE.**
- 5. SYMPTOMS LASTING OVER 5 DAYS REQUIRE HOSPITALIZATION.**
- 6. SEEK MEDICAL DRAINAGE AND BROAD SPECTRUM ANTIBIOTICS.**

**Pseudomonas aeruginosa is a severe bacterial risk at piercing sites.
TREAT SUSPECTED PERICHONDritis AGGRESSIVELY.**