

3 Emergency Steps to Take in the Event of a Potential Bloodborne Pathogen Exposure

1. IMMEDIATELY INITIATE FIRST AID AT THE WORK SITE.

- Contaminated skin and wound should be vigorously scrubbed for 15 minutes using a povidone iodine solution (such as Betadine) and copious amounts of water.
- Contaminated eyes and mucous membranes should be irrigated for 15 minutes using normal saline or water.

2. NOTIFY YOUR SUPERVISOR, IF HE OR SHE IS IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE.

3. REPORT TO THE OCCUPATIONAL MEDICAL SERVICE (OMS), BUILDING 10, ROOM 6C306.

- This should be accomplished within one hour of exposure. For emergency transport dial 911 (on campus).
- When OMS is closed, and the exposure is believed to involve human blood or other potentially infectious material including HIV-1, HIV-2 or SIV, promptly call the Clinical Center Operator at 301-496-1211 to page an OMS physician immediately.