

Incident Management Procedures

Major Medical Emergencies (Immediate life-threatening)

1. Immediately alert people that you need help!
2. They call or you call 9-1-1 (automatically alerts UF police)
3. Initiate appropriate lifesaving measures
4. Provide necessary information to first responders

Accidental Injection/Cuts/ Skin exposures

1. Remove PPE. Place in biohazard bag
2. Wash hands
3. Wash wound with antibacterial soap & water for 5'. Do not use strong disinfectant
4. Squeeze/milk wound lightly
5. Use first aid kit

Splashes to Face/Eyes/ Mucus Membranes

1. Rinse face/mouth /nose/eyes for 15' at eyewash station.
2. Forcibly open eyes to flush
3. Place contaminated clothing into biohazard bag

Accidental Ingestion /Inhalation

Animal Bites/Scratches

1. Remove PPE. Place in biohazard bag
2. Wash hands
3. Wash wound w/antibacterial soap e.g. Nolvasan or povidone-iodine surgical soap & water for 5'. Do not use strong disinfectant
4. Squeeze/milk wound lightly. Use first aid kit

Illness : no known exposure

Contact/see your personal physician/go to an Immediate Care facility

- **BBP Needlestick & BBP Splash Exposures: Call Needlestick Hotline at 1-866-477-6824 (OUCH); immediately after evaluation/treatment contact AmeriSys at 1-800-455-2079**
- **Non-BBP Needlestick & Splash Exposures: Supervisor/employee must contact AmeriSys at 1-800-455-2079 to authorize treatment**
- Notify PI/Supervisor as soon as possible and the Biosafety Officer (392-1591) within 24hrs
- Allow medical follow-up with appropriate testing & the required written opinion
- PI/Supervisor must complete and sign Injury & Incident Report form <http://webfiles.ehs.ufl.edu/IIIRpt.pdf>

- Know location and operation of safety equipment e.g. eye-wash, safety shower, first aid kit, fire extinguishers, emergency exits
- Know what constitutes a potential release/exposure
- Be familiar with symptoms of illness associated with the biological agents handled in your lab and labs around you.
- Tell medical providers what biological agents are used in your lab. Bring a copy of the MSDS with you to the clinic
- PI/lab staff/supervisor should meet & escort emergency personnel onsite when possible