

## **OU-Tulsa Student Needlestick/Blood Borne Pathogen Exposure Protocol**

Any needlestick, cut, exposure to damaged skin, splash into eyes/nose/mouth or any other incident that exposes you to body fluids or contaminated material will be treated as an exposure incident.

**DO NOT ATTEMPT TO MANAGE A PATHOGEN EXPOSURE YOURSELF. APPROPRIATE NOTIFICATION AND TIME SENSITIVE MANAGEMENT ARE SAFEGUARDS TO YOU AND YOUR HEALTH.**

**WASH** the site with soap and water OR **FLUSH** eyes or mucus membranes AND **REPORT**:

### **If exposure occurs at an OU-Tulsa Clinic:**

- Immediately notify preceptor or faculty and the clinic manager and advise clinic manager you are a STUDENT (students, residents and employees have different protocols)
- The clinic manager should obtain the source patient's lab:
  - STAT Rapid HIV, HIV 1/2 antibody, Hep B surface antigen, Hep C antibody
- Immediately notify Student Health
  - You will report to Student Health immediately or within 1-2 hours of the exposure for evaluation, incident report, and labs

### **If exposure occurs at a hospital (SJMC, SFH, HMC):**

- During business hours:
  - Notify attending/resident/clerkship director or preceptor or faculty
  - Immediately notify Employee Health Services at that hospital
  - Employee Health Services at the hospital will facilitate obtaining the source patient's lab
    - STAT Rapid HIV, HIV 1/2 antibody, Hep B surface antigen, Hep C antibody
  - Immediately notify Student Health
  - You will report to Student Health immediately or within 1-2 hours of the exposure for evaluation, incident report, labs
- After business hours:
  - Notify attending/resident/clerkship director or preceptor or faculty
  - Contact the hospital's house supervisor or nursing supervisor to facilitate obtaining source patient's lab
    - STAT Rapid HIV, HIV 1/2 antibody, Hep B surface antigen, Hep C antibody
  - Report to the facility's ER
  - Notify and report to Student Health as soon as possible the following day for evaluation, incident report and labs

### **If exposure is at a location such as an urgent care, hospital, private clinic in a rural area, etc. or at clinical site that is 50 miles or more from campus:**

- During business hours:
  - Notify attending or preceptor, Student Health and the facility's house supervisor/clinical manager to facilitate obtaining source patient's lab:
    - STAT Rapid HIV, HIV 1/2 antibody, Hep B surface antigen, Hep C antibody
  - Report to Student Health as soon as possible or within 1-2 hours for further evaluation, incident report and lab

- After business hours:
  - Notify attending/preceptor and the facility's house supervisor/clinical manager OR report to the facility's ER so they can facilitate obtaining source patient's labs
    - STAT Rapid HIV, HIV 1/2 antibody, Hep B surface antigen, Hep C antibody
  - If no on-site ER or no available house supervisor/clinical manager, report to the nearest ER
  - Notify Student Health and the facility's clinical manager/HR the next day.
  - Report to Student Health

**OU-Tulsa Student Health** is located on the Schusterman Campus on the first floor of the Main Academic Building in the Student Affairs Office. Staff and Contact Information:

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