

Needle Stick Injury

What To Do After An Injury

If you have sustained an exposure to someone else's blood or body fluids via:

- a. A splash to the face or eyes,
- b. A spill, splash or splatter to an open wound, or
- c. A contaminated sharps injury that broke the skin

What to do:

1. **STOP** what you are doing IMMEDIATELY and clean the affected area:
 - a. Face - flush with lots of fresh water
 - b. Eyes - use the eye wash station
 - c. Other area - wash with soap and water
2. Do **NOT** let the patient go
3. After cleaning the affected area, report the exposure to your manager for guidance
4. Get the needle stick packet from the OSHA binder and follow the instructions
5. Necessary follow-up will be provided by Human Resources

You have the right to:

1. Have your blood collected and tested for HBV, HCV and HIV at no cost to you
2. Have your blood collected and preserved for at least 90 days while you decide whether or not you want it to be tested
3. Decline any medical treatment
4. Counseling at no cost to you

