

Blood Borne Pathogen Exposure/Prevention



Every precaution should be taken to prevent a blood borne pathogen exposure, including

- Take care when handling needles scalpels, and other sharp instruments.
 - Don't recap used needles by hand.
 - Don't remove used needles from disposable syringes by hand.
 - Don't bend, break, or otherwise manipulate used needles by hand.
 - Placed used disposable syringes and needles, scalpel blades, etc. in puncture-resistant containers for disposal.
 - Don't hand off sharps to others for disposal.
- Wear PPE (personal protective equipment) to prevent exposure to blood and body fluids as appropriate. This includes goggles, face shields, masks, gowns, and gloves.
- Use Standard Precautions on every patient, every time.

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If you have an exposure follow these steps:

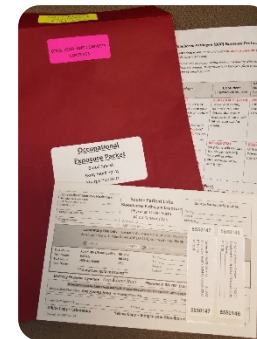
- Perform basic first aid immediately.
 - Remove contact lenses and discard if eyes exposed to BBP splash. Irrigate eyes with water for 10-15 minutes.
 - Wash exposed skin with soap and water. Change exposed clothing as soon as possible.
 - If mucous membrane exposure, wash out with water for 10 minutes.
- Report the exposure and obtain source patient bloodwork. If in an outpatient setting, **obtain source patient bloodwork PRIOR to allowing the source patient to leave.**



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- Locate a red packet from the clinic/floor manager (also located at Central Staffing in Chandler and Good Samaritan Hospital)
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If you have an exposure follow these steps:

- Call Employee Health (see call chart below)

During Business Hours 8:00a – 4:30p Monday – Friday	*After Business Hours 4:30p – 8:00a Monday – Friday; or all day on weekends or holidays
<p data-bbox="496 592 1072 649">(859) 323-APPT (2778)</p> <ul data-bbox="377 664 1154 1106" style="list-style-type: none">• Leave your name, date of birth, and details about your exposure. A nurse will return your call for triage.• After you have spoken with the Employee Health nurse, call UK Workers' Care (1-800-440-6285) to start your claim.	<p data-bbox="1439 592 1832 649">(859) 257-5522</p> <ul data-bbox="1228 664 2005 992" style="list-style-type: none">• The on-call UHS MD will provide phone consultation and triage.• After you have spoken with the doctor, call UK Workers' Care (1-800-440-6285) to start your claim.

**If exposure occurs after hours, your follow up care will be with Employee Health at the next business day. The on-call physician will provide scheduling instructions for follow up care.*