

Exposure Response

for biological, chemical, or radiological exposures

FIRST AID



- **Needlestick, puncture or sharps injury, or animal bite/scratch**
 - Wash properly for 15 minutes with sudsy soap + warm water.
- **Eye exposure**
 - Use eye wash station to flush eyes for 15 minutes keeping eyes open.
- **Skin Exposure**
 - Radioactive: Observe skin + wash till count rate cannot be reduced. Stop if skin becomes irritated.
 - Chemical: Wash with tepid water for 15 minutes.
 - Hydrofluoric acid: Wash for 5 minutes, then apply calcium gluconate gel to skin.
 - Biological: Wash with sudsing soap and water for 15 minutes.
- **Inhalation or Ingestion**
 - Leave contaminated area and seek fresh air.
 - Do not induce vomiting unless instructed.
 - Radioactive: Blow nose into clean tissue and survey for contamination.

MEDICAL HELP



- ♦ **For radiological exposure or emergency**
 - Call radiation safety at 805-756-3044.
 - Call 911 if office closed.
 - Provide the radionuclide, estimated amount and time since exposure.
- ♦ **For chemical exposure or emergency**
 - Call 911 and follow the instructions given.
 - Provide the chemical name, concentration, time since exposure and Safety Data Sheet (SDS).
- ♦ **For biological and all other exposures**
 - Call Nurse Triage Line at 1-866-658-7064.
 - If closed, call 911 and follow instructions given.
- ♦ **FOR ALL EXPOSURES**
 - Notify your supervisor
 - Secure area before leaving

REPORT



- ♦ Notify EH&S at 805-756-5555 immediately after performing first aid and getting medical help
- ♦ For hospitalization, fatality, or recombinant nucleic acid exposure
 - Call EH&S after first aid and medical help ASAP
- ♦ All incidents and near misses
 - Submit a report via <https://forms.office.com/r/wLtXDZ0y7x>