

EXPOSURE TO BLOOD & BODY FLUIDS

Report immediately to clinical leader, charge person or supervisor who will direct you to Occupational Health, the Emergency Department, or an on-call physician for bloodwork and consideration of HIV post-exposure prophylaxis or Hep B Immune Globulin.

Immediate Actions:

- Remove contaminated clothing
- Allow immediate bleeding for needlestick/laceration
- Wash area with soap and water
- Flush mucous membrane or eye splash with water or saline x 15 min
- Determine HIV, HBV and HCV status of patient if know, if unknow, arrange for testing and follow up of results with patient's consent and preceptor support.



Report incident to Student Affairs Office, Dalhousie Medical School

What to do if you suffer an injury in your clinical placement (including needlestick injuries):

Need a refresher on your Infection Control module?

Please refer to your Procedural Skills section on Brightspace for the complete manual.

Refer to the following policies if questions:

- . First aid for workplace exposure (dal.ca)
- . Policy for undergraduate students on communicable infection (dal.ca)
- . UGME Policy on Exposure to Infectious Disease and Environmental Hazards (dal.ca)