Blood Borne Pathogen (Bite) Procedure - Clackamas ESD

Employees who are bitten (by another human) while on the job or otherwise exposed to blood borne pathogens:

If the skin is BROKEN

1. **“Accident Analysis / Incident Report” must be completed. Form MUST indicate that the skin was broken and whether or not personal protective equipment was being worn.**

2. Was there blood borne pathogen exposure?

   NO -- If the skin is broken, but there is no contact between the wound and potentially infectious materials or fluids (e.g. bloody saliva), then there is no blood borne pathogen exposure and you are NOT required to report to an occupational health clinic. Complete “**Accident Analysis / Incident Report**” with your supervisor and decide whether medical attention is warranted and/or use available paid time off to recover, or resume work duties.

   YES -- If you are bit by a person, struck by a needle or other sharp object, or get blood or other potentially infectious materials in your eyes, nose, mouth, or on broken skin where there is contact between blood and saliva.

   1. Immediately flood the exposed area with water and clean any wound with soap and water or a skin disinfectant if available.

   2. Employee must go to the Providence Occupational Health clinic within three (3) hours of the incident. The clinic will perform a hepatitis test and offer the vaccine if the employee has not previously received it.

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   3. The Providence health care professional will provide counsel concerning infectious status, including results of and interpretation of all tests, will discuss matters related to potential risk of infection, and the need for post-exposure prophylaxis and the protection of personal contacts as required.

   4. Injured employee needs to contact Human Resources to start a workers’ compensation claim to ensure coverage of the costs associated with the Providence clinic visit.

If the skin is NOT Broken

1. **“Accident Analysis / Incident Report” must be completed with your supervisor Form MUST indicate that the skin was NOT broken and whether or not personal protective equipment was being worn.**

2. Employee decides whether medical attention is warranted and/or use their available paid time off to recover, or resume work duties. If employee wants to go to a clinic, they may go to the Providence clinic or one of their choice, but note this will initiate a workers’ compensation claim – contact HR to start the paperwork.