

Bloodborne Pathogens

Always:

- ❖ Practice Universal Precautions--treat all blood and body fluids as if they were infected.
- ❖ Protect yourself with proper latex gloves, gowns, masks, CPR pocket masks, and other protective barriers.
- ❖ Bandage cuts, scrapes, and broken skin.
- ❖ Discard sharp objects in the appropriate container.
- ❖ Wash your hands before you eat or drink and after you use the restroom.
- ❖ Wash hands and exposed area(s) with soap and water immediately after exposure to blood or other body fluids.
- ❖ Report exposures immediately to your supervisor.
- ❖ In the event blood or other body fluids come into contact with equipment, floors, and other works areas, immediately limit access to area and disinfect.



Never:

- ❖ Break, bend, or recap used needles or other sharp objects.
- ❖ Eat, drink, or store food in an area with potential exposure.
- ❖ Smoke, put on makeup, or handle contact lenses in an area with potential exposure.