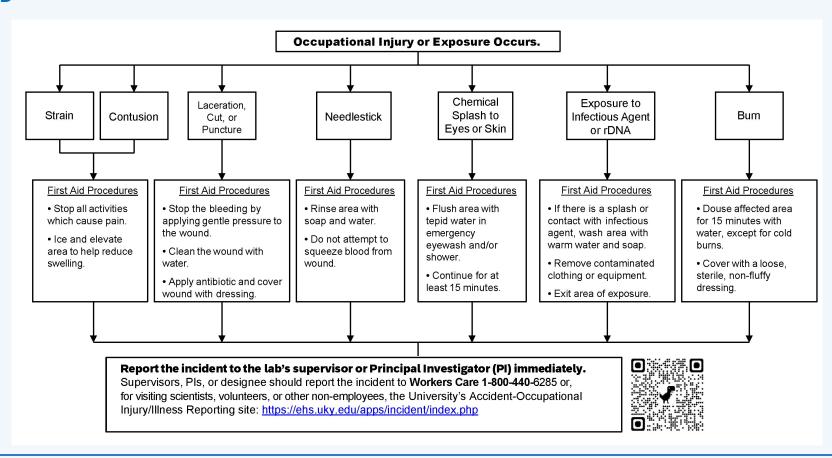


INJURY/EXPOSURE PROTOCOL FOR LABORATORIES

FOR MEDICAL EMERGENCIES CALL 911 OR GO TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM

For other incidents or injuries see below for proper instructions.

FIRST AID



RESPONSE AND CONTACT INFORMATION



UK EMPLOYEES

8:00 am-4:30 pm: Call UK Worker's Care at 9-1-800-440-6285. Report a potential occupational exposure to chemical hazard, radiation hazard, rDNA, or infectious agent. An appointment will be made for you at UHS.

4:30 pm-8:00 am & holidays: Call UK Worker's Care at 9-1-800-440-6285. Report a potential occupational exposure to chemical hazard, radiation hazard, rDNA, or infectious agent. An appointment will be made for you at UHS the next working day.



UK STUDENTS

8:00 am-4:30 pm: Call UHS at 323-APPT. Report a potential occupational exposure to chemical hazard, radiation hazard, rDNA, or infectious agent. An appointment will be made for you at UHS.

4:30 pm-8:00 am & holidays: Call UHS physician on call at 323-5321. Ask for UHS physician. Report a potential occupational exposure to chemical hazard, radiation hazard, rDNA, or infectious agent. Make an appointment at UHS the next working day



VISITING SCIENTISTS VOLUNTEERS, AND OTHERS

Contact your local health care provider/physician.

HAZARD SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

Any reportable incident involving radioactive material, call EHS-Radiation Safety at (859) 323-6276 during business hours or call UKPD at 911 or 859-257-UKPD (8573).



Compliance with the NIH Guidelines for Research Involving Recombinant or Synthetic Nucleic Acids requires that the University of Kentucky, as a recipient of NIH funds, to "report any significant problems, violations of the NIH Guidelines, or any significant research-related accidents or illnesses" [Sections IV-B-1-j, -2-b-(7), -3-c-(2), -7-a-(3)].



Any laboratory incident resulting in exposure to infectious agents or recombinant/synthetic nucleic acid materials must also be immediately reported to the UK Biological Safety Officer (859-257-1073).

DEFINITIONS:

Infectious Agent - Microorganisms capable of invasion and multiplication in humans, animals, or plants.

Large Spill - A spill of greater than 50 mL of hazardous material (biological, chemical or radiological) that occurs outside a biological safety cabinet, chemical fume hood, or other containment device.

Recombinant or Synthetic Nucleic Acid - (i) molecules that a) are constructed by joining nucleic acid molecules and b) that can replicate in a living cell, i.e., recombinant nucleic acids; (ii) nucleic acid molecules that are chemically or by other means synthesized or amplified, including those that are chemically or otherwise modified but can base pair with naturally occurring nucleic acid molecules, i.e., synthetic nucleic acids, or (iii) molecules that result from the replication of those described in (i) or (ii) above.

Occupational Exposure - Any potential employee exposure to a chemical, radiological, or biological hazard in the workplace with or without the presence of a physical injury.

Reportable Incident - Any accident or breach of containment that leads to personal injury or illness; Any violation of the NIH Guidelines. (Ex: large spills, needlesticks, animal bites from infected animals, and unprotected skin exposures to biological, chemical, or radiological hazards)

Compliance with the Occupational Safety and Health Act General Duty clause of 1970 requires that the University of Kentucky provide "a place of employment which [is] free from recognized hazards that are causing or are likely to cause death or serious physical harm to [its] employees (Sec. 5 Duties).

