

**APPENDIX B
EXPOSURE TO BLOOD/BODY FLUIDS PROTOCOL**

1. IMMEDIATELY following the exposure:

- Wash needlesticks and cuts with soap and water. Squeezing out blood is done by most, but no evidence for or against this practice.
- Flush splashes to the nose, mouth, or skin with water.
- Irrigate eyes with clean water, saline, or sterile irrigants for at least 5 minutes.
- **Immediately seek medical treatment through their Emergency Department** as outlined in the JABSOM Affiliation Agreement with all institutions (see #4). Occupational Health may be listed as well, as they will help to coordinate blood draws for the Source Person. Ultimately, however, the care is delivered in the Emergency Department, and they will also coordinate with Occupational Health.
- If the exposure is in a *non-hospital setting* (for example, ambulatory site not associated with a hospital), **go to an Emergency Department for immediate evaluation and counseling.** University Health Services (Manoa Campus – 956-8965) can also be contacted for immediate attention.

2. All follow-up care after immediate evaluation services is the responsibility of the student. The exposure should be reported to:

- Your supervising faculty member and course/clerkship director;
- Medical School Office of Student Affairs @ 692-1000;
- For URGENT after-hours needs, call the security desk at 692-0911 and ask for Dr. Burgess or Dr. Teranishi. Alternatively, contact Dr. Burgess through Physician’s Exchange, 524-2575.

3. Students should be knowledgeable about their health insurance coverage, and should know what their plan will cover related to body fluid exposures. Remind anyone ordering your blood draw or seeing you for follow-up that the episode should NOT be labeled as an “occupational exposure to HCV,” but instead as an “exposure to HCV” for example. This may or may not impact payment for these services.

4. JABSOM’s Affiliation Agreement with Health Care Facilities (HCF) states:

*“**Environmental exposure.** In the event a medical student is exposed to an infectious, environmental, or occupational hazard at the HCF, the HCF shall be responsible for providing immediate evaluation and counseling as with employees of the HCF. Follow-up after the initial evaluation and counseling will not be the responsibility of the HCF, and will proceed according to University student health policies.”*

FACILITY	CONTACT or GO TO	PHONE
Castle Medical Center	Report incident to supervisor. Obtain care from Employee Health Coordinator or hospital supervisor who will assist in filing incident report. Contact JABSOM OSA to report incident.	263-5500 or hospital supervisor 263-5329 (5 pm-8 am)
HOME Clinic	Notify attending physician and complete incident report. Call Dr. Jill Omori to report exposure.	221-0685
Kaiser Permanente Medical Center	Report incident within 2 hours of exposure. Call operator in house “0” and ask for infection control personnel on duty.	432-0000
Kapiolani Medical Center	Report to Employee Health. Go to Emergency Dept., if EH closed, also call on-call Employee Health Coordinator, 983-6000).	983-8525
Kuakini Medical Center	Occupational Health Services. When closed, go to ED, and also notify Nursing Supervisor (through Operator, dial “O”).	547-9531
Pali Momi Medical Center	Employee Health during regular work hours or Emergency Department when exposure occurs after hours. Notify supervisor. Report incident Work Injury Line.	535-7200
The Queen’s Medical Center	Employee Health/PEP Team. Emergency Department	691-4004 691-4311 (ED)

Straub Clinic and Hospital	Employee Health during business hours, go directly to ED after business hours.	529-4900 522-4000(ED)
Tripler Army Medical Center	Let care team know of exposure. Report to the ER. Report exposure to, or go to, Occupational Health the next business day.	433-3422
VA Clinic	Contact EHU during business hours. Go to TAMC ER after hours.	433-0091
Wahiawa General Hospital	Go to ER; also notify Nursing Supervisor (through operator) of exposure.	621-4230