

## Hazardous Materials Injury/Exposure

### Description

### **In medical emergency situations, call 911.**

For work-related injuries, follow the Injury/Medical Assistance guidance and refer to the **Human Resources Workers' Compensation** page:

<http://hr.ufl.edu/manager-resources/employee-relations/workers-compensation/#reporting>

### **Hazardous (Chemical, Radioactive or Biological) Material Splashed in Eye:**

- Immediately flush with gently flowing, potable water for at least 15 minutes. Use emergency eyewash to do this if available.
- Forcibly hold eye open to ensure effective rinsing behind eyelids. Have injured worker move eye side-to-side and up-down during rinsing. Remove contact lenses.
- Report incident to supervisor.
- Always obtain medical attention for a hazardous material splash to the eye.

### **Biological Spill On Body:**

- Remove contaminated clothing.
- Wash exposed area with soap and water for 5 minutes.
- Place contaminated clothing in a red biohazard bag for decontamination.
- Report incident to supervisor and Biological Safety Office (352) 392-1591.
- Obtain medical attention as required.

### **Radiation Spill On Body:**

- Confine the movement of all personnel potentially contaminated to prevent the spread.
- Remove contaminated clothing.
- Rinse exposed area thoroughly with water.
- Place contaminated clothing in plastic bag for decontamination.
- Report incident to supervisor and Radiation Safety Office (352) 392-7359.
- Obtain medical attention as required.

### **Chemical Spill On Body:**

- Do not attempt to wipe chemicals off clothes. Quickly go to safety shower or other water source. Remove contaminated clothes, shoes, jewelry, etc while rinsing.
- Flood exposed area with running water for at least 15 minutes.
- Place contaminated clothing in plastic bag for decontamination.
- Review MSDS or call Poison Information Center (800) 222-1222 to determine if any delayed/systemic effects could be expected (e.g. phenol)

- Report incident to supervisor and contact Lab Safety office at (352) 392-1591.
- Obtain medical attention as required or if any evidence of chemical burns.