

Blood Exposure Standards

Section 3. Blood Exposure Procedure Standards, adopted from NIC.

- (a) If a blood exposure should occur, the following steps must be followed:
- (i) When possible injured party should go to a sink and rinse injury with running water and “milk” the injury if possible to remove any bacteria that may have entered the wound.
 - (ii) Supply injured party with antiseptic or single use packet of antibacterial ointment on the appropriate dressing to cover the injury.
 - (iii) Bag all blood-soiled (contaminated) porous articles and dispose of in trash. Immediately wash and disinfect all non-porous items (do not continue service with these items).
- (b) The following is the responsibility of the candidate/student/licensee and should be executed as follows. Candidate, Student, License injury.
- (i) Protection – if a cut is sustained, stop the service, put on gloves (if appropriate) and clean the injured area.
 - (ii) Apply antiseptic to the injured area;
 - (iii) Dressing – cover the injury with the appropriate adhesive dressing;
 - (iv) Cover injured area with finger guard or glove if appropriate;
 - (v) Bag and dispose of all contaminated single use items;
 - (vi) Remove gloves and wash hands;
 - (vii) Clean model/client;
 - (viii) Clean and disinfect implements and station;
 - (ix) Clean hands; and
 - (x) Return to the service.
- (c) Model/Client injury
- (i) Stop service;
 - (ii) Glove hands of candidate/student/licensee;
 - (iii) Clean injured area;
 - (iv) Apply antiseptic;
 - (v) Cover the injury with the appropriate dressing to prevent further blood exposure;
 - (vi) Bag and dispose of all contaminated single use items;
 - (vii) Clean and disinfect any implements or surfaces contaminated;
 - (viii) Clean hands; and
 - (ix) Return to services.
- (d) Examination.
- (i) Examiners are to use new disposable latex gloves or non-allergenic equivalent when checking the candidate’s service. Bag and dispose used gloves;
 - (ii) Follow with washing hands;
 - (iii) Documents incident in blood exposure log; and
 - (iv) Do not allow containers, brushes, nozzles or liquid styptic container to touch the skin or contact the wound. Use an applicator.