



Employee Bite / Scratch / Splash Procedure

In Case of Contact with Body Fluid from a Nonhuman Primate (rhesus or cynomolgus species only)

Use these first aid procedures if you have the following nonhuman primate exposures:

- A **bite or scratch** from a nonhuman primate
- A **cage scratch** from a dirty cage
- A **puncture by a needle** that has previously been in a nonhuman primate (rhesus or cynomolgus)
- Any **wound** caused by a clean object that penetrates a **contaminated glove**
- **Splashing** of feces, urine, saliva, or blood into your **eye or mouth or a cut in your skin**

IMMEDIATE cleaning is of the utmost importance in preventing infection.

- **For a skin exposure: cleanse and flush the wound for a full 15 minutes.** Use the sponge and soap in the bite kit and a high volume of running water. If wound is still bleeding after cleaning, cover it with sterile dressing before seeking medical treatment.
- **For an eye splash or other mucous membrane exposure: rinse at an eyewash station or sink for a full 15 minutes.** Anyone assisting you should wear gloves and splash-resistant eyewear. Consult with an ophthalmologist and an infectious disease specialist for follow up.
- **Go to HealthPartners Occupational Medicine or Urgent Care immediately after washing the wound.** Take the provider treatment checklist with you. Call HealthPartners Occupational Medicine at 952-883-6999 to let them know that you are coming in with a nonhuman primate exposure (*see HealthPartners location information below*). If HealthPartners is closed, go to the nearest emergency room.

NOTE TO PROVIDERS: If a wound (bite, needlestick, scratch, or splash) has any potential to be exposed to herpesvirus simiae, even if remote or minor, the patient should be started on Valacyclovir 1 gram po tid for 14 days (500 mg tabs 2 tabs po tid #84). Consider adding Augmentin or Keflex prophylaxis for bites. Eye exposures should be treated with trifluridine (Viroptic) one drop every hour when awake, up to nine drops per day. The patient should then be referred to an ophthalmologist and an infectious disease specialist.

- **Page the area veterinarian as soon as possible.** If you do not know who this is or the veterinarian is not available, call the Emergency Vet pager number: 612-899-6285. Make sure you speak with a live person—voicemail messages or emails are not sufficient. The nonhuman primate must be sedated and samples collected for herpes B virus testing within two hours of the exposure.
- **File an electronic [First Report of Injury \(e-FROI\)](#) within 8 business hours or as soon as possible after your exposure.** Supervisors should ensure that this is done and assist employees if necessary. Filing the e-FROI ensures that all medical care and any prescriptions are paid for.

Information from CDC on herpes B virus is found [here](#).



HealthPartners Occupational Medicine Clinic Information

HealthPartners St. Paul Clinic

205 S Wabasha St
Saint Paul, MN 55107

Hours

Sunday	Closed
Monday	8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Tuesday	8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Thursday	8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Friday	8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Saturday	Closed

Stillwater Medical Group – Stillwater

1500 Curve Crest Blvd
Stillwater, MN 55082

Hours

Sunday	Closed
Monday	7:30 AM-5:00 PM
Tuesday	7:30 AM-5:00 PM
Wednesday	7:30 AM-5:00 PM
Thursday	7:30 AM-5:00 PM
Friday	7:30 AM-5:00 PM
Saturday	Closed

HealthPartners West Clinic

1665 Utica Ave S Ste 100
Saint Louis Park, MN 55416

Hours

Sunday	Closed
Monday	8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Tuesday	8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Thursday	8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Friday	8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Saturday	Closed

Park Nicollet Clinic and Surgery Center

3850 Park Nicollet Blvd
Saint Louis Park, MN 55416

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Monday	8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Tuesday	8:00 AM-5:00 PM
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