



## CSB/SJU – HEALTH & SAFETY

### CLEAN-UP PROCEDURE FOR HUMAN BLOOD OR OTHER BODY FLUIDS

**Department:** CUSTODIAL SERVICES

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**GUIDELINES TO FOLLOW WHEN CLEANING BLOOD SPILLS AND OTHER HUMAN BODY FLUIDS THAT MAY CARRY PATHOGENS SUCH AS HEPATITIS-B, HEPATITIS C OR HIV.**

**PLEASE READ BEFORE CLEAN UP.**




**PRIMARY STEPS:**




- 1) **SECURE SPILL AREA**
- 2) **ASSEMBLE CLEAN-UP EQUIPMENT**
- 3) **PERFORM CLEAN-UP**
- 4) **DISPOSAL OF WASTE**
- 5) **PERSONAL HYGIENE**

**KIT CONTENT LIST**

Rubber Gloves	Absorbent
Shoe cover (booties)	Hand Sanitizers
Goggles with Mask	Gowns
Red bags with Ties	Shovel
Germicidal Wipes	Scraper
T-TB bottle sprayer	Spray nozzle

## STEPS

<b>1</b>	<p><b>SECURE SPILL AREA</b></p> <p>Reduce or re-direct traffic away from the spill area by using wet floor signs, caution tape or co-workers.</p>	 
<b>2</b>	<p><b>ASSEMBLE CLEAN-UP EQUIPMENT</b></p> <p>Obtain a well stocked spill kit available in most building on campus.</p>	 <p><b>Take all that you need from the Kit, to safely clean up.</b></p>
<b>3</b>	<p><b>PERFORM CLEAN-UP</b></p> <p>A) Put on rubber gloves, and or splash goggles with mask, shoe cover and gown as needed</p> <p>B) Place absorbent materials over spill or</p> <p>C) Place absorbing paper towels on spill and gently soak with disinfectant spray.</p> <p>D) Let stand for at least 2 minutes (Killing infectious agents)</p>	<p><b>Check your gloves for pinholes</b></p> <p><b>Do not wear torn gloves.</b></p> <p><b>Avoid direct contact with blood or body fluid.</b></p> <p><b>Assure absorbing material is soaked with disinfectant.</b></p>

	<p><b>E) Pick up or scrap the absorbing materials</b></p> <p><b>F) Waste Containment and equipment disinfection</b>  1) Place waste in red bag/bio-hazard container  2) Thoroughly disinfect contaminated equipment, using the disinfectant available in the spray bottle.</p> <p><b>G) Wipe area of spill with a disinfectant and allow drying. Add the disinfectant wipes to the red bag.</b></p> <p><b>H) Carefully remove gloves and place them in the red bag/bio-hazard container. Seal the red bag with a twister tie provided.</b></p>	<p><b>Use mechanical means (i.e. shovel, cardboard etc..) for pickup.</b></p>  <p><b>Avoid direct contact with waste material.</b></p> <p><b>Use 'inside-out' technique to avoid contact with possibly contaminated glove surface. Place gloves in red bag</b></p>
<p><b>4</b></p>	<p><b>DISPOSAL OF WASTE</b></p> <p>Dispose the biohazard waste in one of the secure designated locations. Contact Security, if unsure of location. <b>DO NOT</b> leave waste in unsecure area.</p>	 <p><b>Make sure sharps are placed in separate rigid sharps container</b></p>
<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>PERSONAL HYGIENE</b></p> <p>Thoroughly wash hands, wrists &amp; elbows with warm water and mild soap/detergent. If no running water, use the Hand Sanitizer (antiseptic wipes) provided in the Kit.</p>	

**NOTE:** *Any employee who has been exposed directly to other human blood or potentially infectious human body fluid should immediately complete exposure form and seek medical consultation in a clinic of choice.*

**If you have any specific questions about these guidelines:**

- **Check with your supervisor or**
- **Contact Environmental Health & Safety at 363-5277.**

**For all emergencies, contact Security at 363-5000.**