EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROTOCOLS



Type of Emergency:

How serious?

Minor

No blood bleeding stops after pressure is applied for 10 minutes

Cut or Puncture Wound

Major

Blood spurting out with heartbeat
You can see bone
Stitches are needed
Blood will not stop
after pressure is
applied for 10
minutes
There is dirt or other
object lodged inside

the wound

Steps to take:

Victim should:

- 1. Wash hands with soap thoroughly
- 2. Wash wound gently with mild soap once bleeding is under control
- 3. Dab antibiotic ointment on wound
- 4. Cover wound with sterile dressing
- **5.** Report incident to lab staff and complete incident report

Victim should:

- 1. Gently wash wound if possible
- 2. Cover wound, try to use sterile dressing
- **3.** Keep wound elevated, if possible, until help arrives

Assisting laboratory staff should:

- **1.** Call **9-1-1**, then contact Campus Safety (**312-341-2020**)
- 2. Evacuate students from area near blood
- **3.** Clean up blood with disinfectant
- **4.** Contain all objects which contacted blood into biohazard bags
- 5. Call Lab Manager 630-934-6224