

# INJURIES ASSOCIATED WITH NON-HUMAN PRIMATES

## STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

March 2003

### TYPE OF INJURY

Primate bite

Primate scratch

Needlestick involving primate bodily fluid

Primate bodily fluid splash to eyes, mouth, broken skin or open wound

Cut or scratch from contaminated cage or equipment

### COURSE OF ACTION

1. Locate and open non-human primate exposure kit. Don gloves and eye protection as appropriate.
2. Wash wound immediately for 15 minutes with the E-Z Scrub PCMX brush provided at the station. Flush and rinse well. If a mucous membrane exposure (eyes, nose or mouth) has occurred, flush at eyewash station for 15 minutes.
3. Notify your supervisor immediately and the DLAR veterinary staff as soon as possible. If they are not immediately available, do not delay your trip to Employee Health Services or the ER. The supervisor will notify the medical treatment facility indicated below.
4. Proceed immediately to **Employee Health Services**, Medical Arts Building, 3708 Fifth Ave., Suite 500.59, Pittsburgh PA; **phone 412-647-3695**. Clinic Hours are **7:30 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday**.
  - 4.a. If during non-clinic hours, proceed immediately to **UPMC Presbyterian Hospital Emergency Department; phone 412-647-3333**. Take a copy of the appropriate informational handout with you.
  - 4.b If the injury is imminently life threatening, **call 811 on the Pittsburgh Campus, or 911 off campus** to request ambulance assistance to the emergency room.
5. The treating clinician must page Dr. Jay Harper, University Medical Director, Employee Health Services, at 412-392-7335.
6. After emergency treatment is accomplished, contact the person in your department in charge of Worker's Compensation Claims to fill out the appropriate forms.