University of Pittsburgh Animal Care Program

INJURIES ASSOCIATED WITH NON-HUMAN PRIMATES (NHP)

TYPE OF INJURY

NHP bite or scratch
Needlestick involving a NHP
NHP body fluid splash to eyes, mouth, broken skin, or open wound
Cut or scratch from NHP contaminated cage or equipment

PROCEDURE:

1. Locate and open NHP exposure kit. Don gloves and eye protection as appropriate.

2. Wash the wound immediately and continuously for 15 minutes with the scrub brush provided in the NHP Exposure Kit. Flush and rinse well.

3. For mucous membrane exposure (eye, nose, or mouth), continuously flush the mucous membrane area for 15 minutes using an eyewash station.

4. 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 Emergency Room. The supervisor will notify the medical treatment facility indicated below.

5. During clinic hours proceed immediately to Employee Health Services, MyHealth@Work for the University of Pittsburgh, Medical Arts Building, Suite 505, 3708 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15213, phone 412-647-4949. Clinic Hours are Monday to Friday 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM.

   A. During non-Clinic hours, proceed immediately to UPMC Presbyterian Hospital Emergency Department, 200 Lothrop Street, Pittsburgh PA 15213, phone 412-647-3333. Take a copy the informational handout contained in the NHP Exposure Kit with you to the emergency room.

   B. If the injury is life-threatening, or if the individual requires emergency medical transportation, Call Campus Police at 412-624-2121 on the Oakland Campus. Dial 911 if off-campus.

6. The treating clinician should call Employee Health Services, MyHealth@Work for the University of Pittsburgh at 412-647-4949.

7. After evaluation by medical professionals is completed, call 1-800-633-1197 to report a work-related injury (24 hours day/ 7 days/week).