

Potential Occupational Risk Activities

Information Sheet

SAMPLE OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE INCIDENTS				
Type of Incident	Transmission			Protective Measures
	HIV	HBV	HBC	
Human Bites	No	Yes	Yes	Risk is increased if person biting has open sores in their mouth or bleeding gums. Exercise care in every work situation. If arrestee, prisoner, patient or victim has open wounds or if body fluids are present, wear gloves.
Spitting	No	No	No	Exercise care in every work situation. If saliva or other mucous gets on your skin or uniform, wash as soon as possible with soap and water.
Rescue Breathing/CPR	No	No	No	Use a protective mask or airway for barrier protection. If reusable, decontaminate mask / airway immediately after use, using proven germicide or chlorine bleach solution. Bleach is not recommended for use on rubber material.
Needle-sticks	Yes	Yes	Yes	<p>Exercise extreme care in searching arrestees, prisoner, patient or victim. Pockets, purses, waistbands, and garment linings are some potential sites for hiding contraband or hypodermic needles. Use caution when searching any area that poses potential threat or injury. Wear protective (not rubber) gloves to prevent sticks.</p> <p>Exercise care around needles and other sharp objects. DO NOT recap or break needles prior to disposal.</p> <p>DO NOT recap or break other sharp objects after use. Rather, place in puncture-resistant container. Handle all sharp items with care, as if they are contaminated.</p>
Mucous membrane or other direct contact with contaminated bloody/body fluids (e.g. blood splash to eyes, open skin, mouth, etc.	Yes	Yes	Yes	If working with or transporting a person or body with open sores or wounds, wear disposable gloves. Be especially careful to protect cuts or sores on your hands. After contact, wash thoroughly with soap and water. Clean up spills of blood and other fluids with a proven germicide or chlorine bleach solution (1:10).