

**PARKLAND COLLEGE
PROTOCOL FOR OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURES IN DENTAL
HYGIENE CLINIC**

FACULTY and DENTIST

1. Identify the student and patient. Be sure the student has cleansed the contaminated area thoroughly. If the student needs emergency medical care, call Parkland's Department of Public Safety at extension 2369. ***If no emergency first-aid is needed, there is no need to call a Public Safety Officer.***
2. Give the student and patient a copy of the appropriate protocol and advise each of them to follow it. If the patient has left, the consulting dentist* will phone him/her and explain our policy.
3. If between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday, assist the student in calling the Carle Occupational Medicine Department at 383-3077. The student should ask for a nurse and explain that s/he is a Parkland dental hygiene student and has had an occupational exposure to blood/body fluids and needs to be evaluated. At other times, send the student to the Carle Emergency Department (North Lincoln Avenue, Urbana); there is no need to call ahead. The student should go to Carle immediately following the incident so it can be determined if medications called protease inhibitors for HIV infection are warranted.
4. Maintain confidentiality of all persons involved. Share information on a "need-to-know" basis only.
5. Complete an incident report and submit it to the Wellness Coordinator in Room U112.

*The consulting dentist is Dr. Mark Williams.

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