

**DEM PATIENT WITH  
SIGNIFICANT BLOODBORNE EXPOSURE**

*Any patient which presents to the DEM with a concern of a significant bloodborne exposure will need to have an initial evaluation by PMHS Occunet or by the Department of Emergency Medicine.*

**SUMMARY OF DEM GUIDELINES**

	PMHS Employee and HCW visiting/rotating student/resident or agency person* who sustains exposure while performing his/her job duties while at any PMHS facility (*includes attending MD)	All other DEM patients who sustain exposure while performing his/her job duties elsewhere (i.e., paramedic, police officer, coroner, student at Western School)
1	Register patient-in triage as needlestick # _____	Register patient in triage as any other DEM patient - Reinforce to patient need to notify employer if work related
2	a. <u>Employee accident report</u> completed b. <u>Occurrence report</u> completed if HCW non-employee of PMHS and paid wages by other facility, i.e., resident rotating at Mercy but paid by Univ. of Pgh.	Identify patient as a "work related injury" if exposure occurred while performing his/her duties  Yellow dot placed on medical record
3	Complete "employee" significant exposure form	Document on medical record "significance of exposure"
4	Obtain consent for HIV testing	obtain consent for HIV testing
5	Order "Employee Needlestick" vaccine negative or positive bloodwork	order "Non-employee Needlestick" vaccine negative or positive bloodwork
6	Consider prophylaxis as indicated - consult ID on-call if given	Consider prophylaxis as indicated - consult ID on-call if given
7	Notify "source patient" attending physician of HCW exposure and need to facilitate Rapid HIV testing results * Charge RN of unit where exposure occurred should also facilitate testing	Notify "source patient" attending physician of HCW exposure and need to facilitate HIV testing * inquire if "Rapid HIV" available
8	Follow-up with PMHS Occunet for all test results and plan further follow-up care	Follow-up with PMHS Occunet for work related exposures or B. MacLeod, MD, in DEM if not work related injury
9	File DEM medical record chart for PMHS Occunet to obtain	File DEM medical record for PMHS Occunet to obtain

\* Manager Occunet request PMHS employees and affiliates to report to Occunet Monday-Friday, 6:45 am-5:00 pm for initial evaluation, call Occunet Manager at pager #1300 between 5:00 pm-10:00 pm, and report to DEM 10:00 pm-6:45 am and weekends.