

HAZARDOUS MATERIAL SPILL/EXPOSURE RESPONSE

Contaminated?

Respond immediately – minutes count!

If you get splashed, cut, or stuck with a hazardous material:

1 Remove contaminated clothing & PPE.

2 Flush skin, mouth, nose or eyes with water for 15 minutes.

Remove contact lenses before flushing eyes.

- Don't use hot water or bleach.
- For bio or rad **skin** contamination, wash with soap & water, then flush.
- Refer to SDS for a water-reactive chemical.
- Contact OCRS Radiation Safety if radioactive material is involved.



3 Get treatment right away.

Go to the Occupational Health Clinic or the Emergency Department.

Treatment is less effective if you wait.

4 Report the exposure.

Complete the **Research Lab Injury/Exposure Report**.



Respond to a Spill

Radioactive Spill

Refer to **Emergencies Involving Radioactive Materials**.



Biomaterial Spill

Refer to **Responding to Personnel Exposures & Spills Involving Biological Materials**.



Chemical Spill

Refer to **Chemical Spill Guidelines** and **Chemical Safety Protocols**.



If the spill is large, call the **Office of Clinical & Research Safety**:

- During normal business hours, call **615.322.2057**.
- After normal business hours, call the After-Hours Number at **615.875.3779**.