



Needlestick & Body Fluid Exposure Process for Children's Hospital Colorado

A bloodborne pathogen exposure is one that might place you at risk for HBV, HCV, or HIV infection and is defined as a percutaneous injury (e.g., a needlestick or cut with a sharp object) or contact of mucous membrane or non-intact skin (e.g., exposed skin that is chapped, abraded, or afflicted with dermatitis) with blood, tissue, or other body fluids that are potentially infectious. Prompt treatment is essential because, in some cases, post-exposure treatment may be recommended, and it should be started as soon as possible.

Online Resource Information:

- [CDC's Exposure to Blood](#)
- [CDC's Preventing HIV with PEP](#)

Workers' Compensation applies to: University of Colorado employees, including faculty, staff, paid student workers, residents, and fellows. Workers' Compensation may also apply to University of Colorado students in any of the following: internships, dental clinic, clinical rotations, or practicums. Individuals exposed to bloodborne pathogens should seek immediate treatment.

Emergency Medical Treatment: Go to the nearest urgent care facility or medical emergency room; closest facility:

- **Children's Hospital Colorado:** Occupational Health Services
13123 East 16th Avenue, B260
Aurora, CO 80045
Open between 7:00 AM and 4:30 PM, Monday – Friday
Phone #: 720-777-6577

OR the Emergency Department after hours

Follow-up Care: Follow-up care must be completed at:

- Designated Medical Provider (DMP): <https://www.cu.edu/risk/dmp>
Please check with your facility or site Supervisor or Occupational Health Clinic for guidance and contact University Risk Management with any questions or concerns by calling 303-860-5682 or emailing urm@cu.edu

Reporting: Report the injury/illness immediately to your supervisor. Interns and off-campus employees should also report the injury/illness to their off-campus supervisor (hospital, clinical rotation or employer supervisor).

- You must file a Workers' Compensation Needlestick or Body Fluid Exposure Report form within 10 days of the injury/exposure. Report the incident on the University Risk Management (URM) website:
<https://www.cu.edu/risk/services/workers-compensation>

OR

- If you have completed a report at the hospital or clinic where the incident occurred, you can fax or email their incident report form directly to 303-860-5680 or urm@cu.edu in lieu of completing the CU on-line form.

Medical Bill Payment: Request all medical bills be sent to URM. Forward all bills you receive to URM:

University Risk Management, 1800 Grant Street, Suite 700, Denver, CO 80203

Phone: 303-860-5682 or 888-812-9601, Fax: 303-860-5680