

Employee Bite / Scratch / Splash Procedure

In Case of Contact with Body Fluid from a Nonhuman Primate (rhesus or cynomolgus species only)

Use these first aid procedures if you have the following nonhuman primate exposures:

- A **bite or scratch** from a nonhuman primate
- A **cage scratch** from a dirty cage
- A **puncture by a needle** that has previously been in a nonhuman primate (rhesus or cynomolgus)
- Any **wound** caused by a clean object that penetrates a **contaminated glove**
- **Splashing** of feces, urine, saliva, or blood into your **eye or mouth or a cut in your skin**

IMMEDIATE cleaning is of the utmost importance in preventing infection.

- **For a skin exposure: cleanse and flush the wound for a full 15 minutes.** Use the sponge and soap in the bite kit and a high volume of running water. If wound is still bleeding after cleaning, cover it with sterile dressing before seeking medical treatment.
- **For an eye splash or other mucous membrane exposure: rinse at an eyewash station or sink for a full 15 minutes.** Anyone assisting you should wear gloves and splash-resistant eyewear.
- **Go to HealthPartners Occupational Medicine or Urgent Care immediately after washing the wound.** Take the provider treatment checklist with you. Call HealthPartners at 952-883-6999 to let them know that you are coming in with a nonhuman primate exposure (*see HealthPartners maps and location information on the back of this sheet*). If HealthPartners is closed, go to the Fairview-University Hospital emergency room (612-273-3000).

NOTE TO PROVIDERS: If wound (bite, needlestick, scratch, or splash) has any potential to be exposed to herpes virus simiae, even if remote or minor, the patient should be started on Valacyclovir 1 gram po tid for 14 days (500 mg tabs 2 tabs po tid #84). Consider adding Augmentin or Keflex prophylaxis for bites. Eye exposures should be treated with trifluridine (Viroptic). One drop every hour when awake, up to nine drops per day. The patient should then be referred to an ophthalmologist.

- **Page the area veterinarian as soon as possible.** If you do not know who this is or the veterinarian is not available, page the Emergency Vet pager number: 612-899-6285. Make sure you speak with a live person—voicemail messages or emails are not sufficient. The nonhuman primate must be sedated and samples collected for herpes B virus testing within two hours of the exposure.
- **File an electronic *First Report of Injury* (e-FROI)** within 8 business hours or as soon as possible after your exposure. Supervisors should ensure that this is done and assist employees if necessary. The link to the e-form is: <https://webapps-prd.oit.umn.edu/froi/>. Filing the e-FROI ensures that all medical care and any prescriptions are paid for.

Information on herpes B virus: <http://www.cdc.gov/herpesbvirus/index.html>



HealthPartners Como Clinic

2500 Como Ave
St. Paul, MN 55108-1494

Urgent Care hours: Mon-Fri 1 pm to 9 pm, Sat-Sun 9 am to 8 pm

The HealthPartners Como Clinic is located near the St. Paul Campus at Hwy 280 and Como Avenue. Free surface lot or street parking is available.

HealthPartners urgent care information (all locations): 952-853-8800 for directions, hours, and approximate wait times.

HealthPartners Riverside Clinic

2220 Riverside Ave S
Minneapolis, MN 55454
Occupational Medicine: 952-883-6999

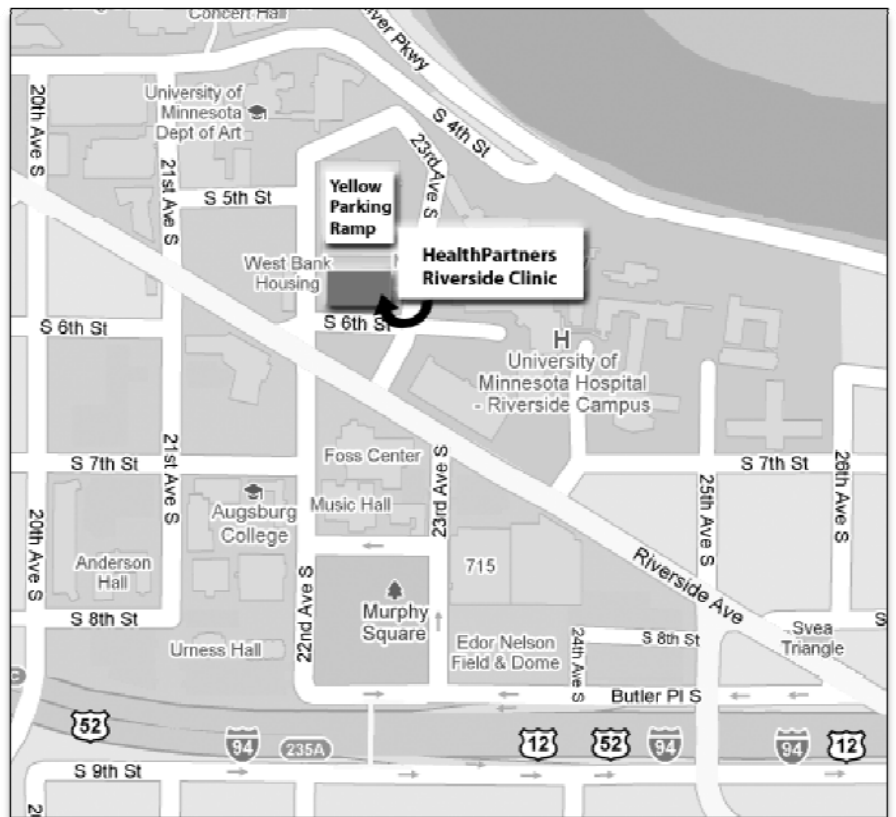
Occupational Medicine hours: Mon-Fri 8 am-5 pm

Urgent Care hours: Mon-Fri 5 pm-9 am; Sat 9 am-5 pm; Sun 12 pm-5pm

The HealthPartners Riverside Clinic is located on the West Bank of the U of M. From I-94, exit on 25th Avenue. Take 25th Avenue north to Riverside Avenue. Turn left on Riverside Avenue. Turn right on 23rd Avenue. The clinic is located on your left.

The Fairview shuttle runs every 10 minutes from Variety Club Research Center (401 E. River Parkway) to HealthPartners Riverside from 5:30am to 8:20pm Mon-Fri.

Parking information: Parking is available in the yellow ramp. Your ticket will be validated in Occupational Medicine.



HealthPartners St. Paul Clinic also provides Occupational Medicine and Urgent Care services, and is available to respond to exposure incidents. The clinic is located at 205 S Wabasha St just outside downtown St. Paul. Call 651-293-8100 for clinic hours and directions.