

## FIRST AID FOR OLD WORLD MONKEY BITES OR SPLASHES

Appendix 6

*These procedures are to be performed immediately after an injury has occurred. Do not wait for the veterinarian or other assistance to arrive before beginning first aid procedures.*

### SUPERFICIAL WOUNDS

Using the materials provided in the Bite Wound Station, the injured person should:

- A.. Set timer for **20 minutes**. Soak and gently scrub the injured area with a gloved hand until the time expires, using the betadine scrub brushes. A burning or stinging sensation may be felt during this procedure.

### DEEP PENETRATING WOUNDS

*Deep penetrating wounds require immediate medical attention.*

Using the materials provided in the Bite Wound Station, the injured person should:

- A. Add the contents of bottle “A” to bottle “B” and mix. This is a chlorine disinfecting solution.
- B. Set the timer for **5 minutes**. With a gloved hand, take a gauze pad soaked in the solution made in step A above. Gently swab the wound for 5 minutes. A burning or stinging sensation may be felt during this procedure.
- C. Set the timer for **15 minutes**. Soak and gently scrub the injured area with a gloved hand, until the time expires, using the betadine scrub brushes. A burning or stinging sensation may be felt during this procedure. As you scrub, gently massage the wound to increase contact of deep areas with soap.

### EYE, NOSE, AND MOUTH SPLASHES

*Eye, nose and mouth splashes require immediate medical attention.*

Using the materials provided in the Bite Wound Station, the injured person should:

- A. For nose and mouth splashes unwrap the sterile basin and fill it with sterile 0.9% sodium chloride Solution. For eye splashes, fill the eyewash bottle with sterile 0.9% sodium chloride Solution.
- B. Set timer for **20 minutes**. Irrigate the contaminated area with a 0.9% sodium chloride Solution for a full 20 minutes using a sterile bulb syringe or the eyewash bottle.

**CAUTION:** *DO NOT USE THE CHLORINE DISINFECTING SOLUTION ON EYE, NOSE OR MOUTH SPLASHES OR OTHER EYE, NOSE AND MOUTH INJURIES.*

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After rendering first aid, call or page a Department of Comparative Medicine veterinarian for further instruction (If no response on 1st attempt, continue with the next individual listed):

	<u>Digital Pager</u>	<u>Home Phone</u>
Dr. Brady	439-1961	476-6642
Dr. Gibson	439-1758	344-4283

The injured person and an assistant should then proceed to USA Medical Center emergency room for medical treatment. The “B-Virus Culture Kit” and the letter “To Physicians Treatment Personnel for Monkey Bites” is to be given to the emergency room admitting clerk or nurse. A physician’s guide packet entitled “Serious Risk of Herpes B-Virus Exposure” should be taken with the employee to the Emergency Department.

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