

EAST LAKE TARPON SPECIAL FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT

POST EXPOSURE PROTOCOL BASED ON PINELLAS COUNTY M.O.M. PROTOCOL 5.37

Treat the exposed individual with appropriate first aid as required. Flush eyes and mucous membranes with NaCl (Normal Saline) if that is where the exposure contact occurred.

Obtain permission from the source patient to obtain a blood draw. Fill the Source of Contact Consent form out. Blood is to be tested for:

HIV
Hepatitis (panel)
Syphilis

If the source patient does not give consent for the blood draw, the exposed employee will have a PEP consult with Lakeside or the receiving hospital. If the contact is deemed to be a significant exposure by the consulting physician, the physician must then fill out a "need for testing" statement. The District Chief, East Lake 500 or his designee will then contact the State Attorney's office at 464-6221 to request a court order in accordance with Florida State Statute 381.004. It may be necessary for the exposed employee to begin the PEP medications until the blood draw and the test results can be obtained.

Draw the source patient's blood using the PEP kit. The exposed individual will take these tubes with them to the PEP hospital or clinic. If possible, draw the blood prior to or during the transport of the source patient to the hospital or prior to releasing them. Our PEP clinic and contact numbers are:

**Lakeside Occupational Medical Centers, 2323 Curlew Road, Suites 2A & 2B, Dunedin
(just west of Home Depot)**

0800 - 1700 (727)781-3480

After hours: (727)586-0047, and follow the prompts for BBP exposure.

Press option "5". Leave a detailed message including:

Your name

Your employer

Nature of the Exposure

Phone number where you can be reached - If no answer in 10 minutes, repeat the call.

If no response within 30 minutes, call: (727)430-1423

Once at the hospital, the clinician must request and obtain a blood sample from the source patient. If this is not the desire of the clinician, the clinician may have their PEP consultation completed at the source patient's hospital. If the clinician chooses this option, they are to be registered into the hospital data system as an ED patient. This will provide a formal record of their consultation, including any recommendations for follow-up care.

The Company Officer shall contact the District Chief as soon as it is possible. The District Chief shall contact East Lake's designated Infectious Control Officer (ICO), currently Division Chief Tom Jamison, Pager LK500.

For information in determining the significance of the exposure and the most current evaluation and treatment guidelines, contact the National Clinicians' Post Exposure Prophylaxis Hotline at: 1-888-448-4911.

The District Chief will report the incident to the Department's Worker's Compensation provider at 1-866-683-7710.

The Worker's Compensation provider will need the following information:

1. Employee name
2. Social Security number
3. Date and time of accident
4. Employee home address
5. Employee telephone number
6. Employee occupation
7. Employee date of birth
8. Employee gender
9. A description of the incident
10. Employer address and phone number
11. Federal I.D. number (23-7363939)
12. Nature of business
13. Date of hire
14. Whether or not employee was paid for any time off
15. The address employee reports to work
16. The address of the accident
17. Whether or not the employee has returned to work
18. Employee's rate of pay
19. Employee's work schedule
20. The medical facility at which the employee was treated

For the ICO: The ICO or ICO designee shall investigate every exposure incident whenever possible within 24 hours after the incident occurs. The ICO will require the following information from the exposed individual:

- When exposure occurred (Date and Time)
- Where exposure occurred
- What potentially infectious materials were involved (blood/body fluids)
- Source of materials (patient, vehicle parts, etc)
- Circumstances (activity being performed)
- How exposure occurred (accident, equipment failure)
- PPE used at the time of incident.
- Actions taken as result of the exposure (decon, testing, etc.)