

UNIVERSAL PRECAUTIONS

POLICY: Handling of blood, urine, feces, vomit, or drainage will be done safely according to the "Universal Precautions" guidelines as prescribed by the Centers for Disease Control.

PURPOSE: To protect the health of children and staff from communicable disease in bodily fluids.

PROCEDURE:

1. Put on disposable gloves.
2. Use only disposable products to clean up bodily fluids.
3. Get a plastic bag large enough to hold everything you will dispose.
4. Dispose all used tissue, paper towels, diapers, gauze, cotton and/or bandages, into the plastic bag.
5. Wash child's hands and anything else that touched bodily fluids with soap and warm water.
6. Disinfect any area spilled, splashed, or contaminated with the bodily fluid. Launder contaminated clothes or linen in hot water and soap.
7. Remove your gloves at this point and put them into the bag. Tie the bag closed and put it inside another plastic bag.
8. Dispose the bag in a plastic lined trash can.
9. **WASH YOUR HANDS THOROUGHLY WITH SOAP AND RUNNING WATER IMMEDIATELY!**
10. Any exposure to bodily fluids from open cut, eyes or mouth must be reported to supervisor. Healthcare provider should be contacted if suspected of infectious disease exposure.