

## FIRST AID AFTER AN EXPOSURE INCIDENT

1. Stop operations immediately.
2. Remove your gloves.
3. If the area of broken skin is bleeding, gently squeeze the site to express a small amount of visible blood.
4. Wash your hands thoroughly, using antimicrobial soap and warm water.
5. Dry your hands.
6. Apply a small amount of antiseptic to the affected area.
7. Apply an adhesive bandage to the area.
8. The doctor at the clinical site and the clinical instructor should be notified of the injury IMMEDIATELY after initial first aid is provided.

## MANAGEMENT OF EXPOSURE INCIDENT

1. Document the route or routes of exposure and circumstances in which the incident occurred (for example: cut, needle stick, blood splash) and the time of the incident.
2. Identify and document the source individual (the patient whose blood or body fluid is involved in the exposure incident) unless the dentist can establish that identification is non-feasible.
3. The dentist will request the source individual have his/her blood tested for HIV and HBV (the patient may refuse this request). The student will be responsible for all fees incurred.
4. The student is advised to have his or her blood tested for HIV and HBV. The HIV test series should be immediate and at 6-week, 12-week and 6-month intervals. A tetanus booster may also be indicated by your physician.