FIRST AID INSTRUCTIONS FOR ANIMAL HANDLERS

For all animal-related injuries and illnesses, the supervisor must complete the Report of Occupational Injury or Disease to an Employee (Form PER WC-207). This form can be found at: https://hr.uconn.edu/workers-comp/ The form must be submitted to Human Resources (FAX 860-486-0406) within 24 hours of the injury. Injury reporting hotline number is 800-828-2717. Also, report the incident to EHS (860-486-3613).

Care of Bites, Scratches, Cuts, Abrasions, Needlesticks, etc.

- 1. Control bleeding by applying direct pressure with sterile gauze or a bandage.
- 2. Cleanse the wound by washing with copious quantities of soap and water. (Betadine surgical soap is recommended.)
- 3. Dry and cover the wound
- 4. Obtain medical attention <u>immediately</u> for any cuts, puncture wounds or bites, needlesticks, or any other wound directly related to animal exposure.
 - □ Go to UConn Student Health and Wellness (Students only) (860-486-4700), or
 - ☐ Go to an approved Initial Treatment Network Provider

 Approved initial providers can be found here:

 http://ct.primehealthservices.com/Custom/CtIndex or
 - □ Go to Windham Memorial Hospital, or Rockville General (emergencies only)
 - □ In case of emergency, call 911.
- 5. Report all animal related injuries to your supervisor. Complete the Report of Occupational Injury or Disease to an Employee (Form PER WC-207) and submit to Human Resources (FAX 860-486-0406). Report the incident to EHS (860-486-3613).

Eye Splash with Animal Urine, Feces, Blood, or Secretions

- 1. Rinse eye(s) immediately with water for 15 minutes.
- 2. Proceed immediately to an approved healthcare provider as noted above.
- 3. Report the injury as noted above.





Approved Providers

Form PER WC-207