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Splash Injury Management

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Policy and Procedure

It is the policy of Saint John of God Kerry Services to maintain the highest standard of Safety of our service users and our Staff. A safe environment is fundamental to providing an indicator of the quality of care provided. A risk assessment may be carried out by supervisor on any work-related activity as deemed necessary.

- A splash injury is when a member of staff has been exposed when body fluids have splashed into an open cut, wound or membrane such as the eye from an individual to another Individual.
- A member of staff has been exposed to an individuals blood or body fluids through a sharps or splash injury.

1. Where a splash injury occurs the staff member will notify person in charge in their department of the incident.
2. If splash is to broken skin, the staff member will immediately wash the affected area with soap and cold water while subsequently covering the affected area.
3. Where splashes are to the eye area the eyes will be rinsed thoroughly with cold water.
4. Splashes to the mouth will be washed thoroughly with cold water.
5. When preparing cleaning solutions pour in the required amount of water first then add the cleaning solution, this reduces the risk of splashes.
6. If appropriate, the staff member/service user will contact their GP and attend as appropriate or in the absence of a GP they will present at the Emergency Department of the nearest hospital bringing the relevant safety data sheet with them.
7. NIRF will be completed and the supervisor will carry out or review a risk assessment as necessary.

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I have read, understand and agree to adhere to the attached Policy and Procedure:

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