

# Staff Blood & Bodily Fluid Exposure Algorithm



## Have you had a Blood & Bodily Fluid Exposure or Needlestick Injury?



- Fluids capable of transmitting bloodborne pathogens: (as per the BC Centre for Disease Control guidelines)
- Blood and bodily fluids visibly contaminated with blood
  - Semen
  - Vaginal/rectal secretions
  - Pleural, amniotic, pericarial, peritoneal, synovial and cerebrospinal fluids, and wound exudates
  - Saliva (rare)
  - Transplanted tissue or organs
  - Breast milk

**Please note:** if no blood is visible in the following then post-exposure follow up is not required: feces, nasal secretions, sputum, sweat, tears, urine, vomitus, gastric contents.

Please contact an **Island Health Employee Health Nurse Advisor** if you have questions.

