

NORTHWOOD TECHNICAL COLLEGE
HEALTH SCIENCES
STUDENT POLICIES

EXPOSURE CONTROL PROCEDURES (NEEDLE STICK)

Employees and students at Northwood Tech recognize that even with strict adherence to standard precautions and exposure prevention practices, exposure incidents may occur. Northwood Tech has an exposure control plan in place to ensure appropriate and timely post-exposure follow-up.

1. The student involved will report the incident immediately to their onsite supervisor. By the end of the day, the program director and the Northwood Tech campus college health nurse must be contacted.
2. If the incident occurs at a clinical site, clinical agency policy is implemented first.
3. File a report located on the Northwood Tech website.
<https://www.northwoodtech.edu/about/safety-and-security/file-a-report>
 - a. Choose the General Incident Reporting Form from the drop-down menu.
 - b. Email confirmation of the electronic form submission to the program director.
4. The college health nurse follows the Northwood Tech Exposure Control Plan.
5. The college health nurse collaborates with the student and program staff as needed.
6. The college health nurse or program director provides completed documentation to the Dean of Health Sciences.