



MOIRA HOUSE GIRLS SCHOOL PREVENTION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND MANAGEMENT OF BLOOD AND FLUIDS 2018-19

*All staff and pupils should be made aware of the risks involving the handling of body fluids.
The risk of Hepatitis B is greater than HIV.*

1. When dealing with body fluids ensure protective gloves are worn. Disposable gloves are in every first aid kit.
2. Blood leakage should be arrested immediately using a dressing.
3. Surfaces should be cleaned with a solution of bleach 1:10 and disposable cloth.
4. Dispose of used cardboard vomit bowls in clinical waste (bag in the Medical Department).
5. Incinerate sanitary wear.
6. If a person is accidentally splashed by blood or fluid, wash area well with soap and water.
7. Any needle stick injury should be encouraged to bleed and washed under running water. Report to Sister/GP.

Education

Girls should be educated on preventative measures:

- Personal hygiene. Washing hands after using the toilet and before preparing or eating food.
- Never share razors or toothbrushes.
- Discourage blood sisters, self ear piercing or tattooing.
- Never share musical reeds. Brass mouth pieces should be detached and washed in hot water and detergent or cleaned with diluted spirit.
- Safe sex education in PSE.
- Disposal and safe use of needles (diabetics and in drug abuse).

Related policies and documents

This policy should be read in conjunction with the following policies and documents:

Employee Handbook
Staff Handbook
Code of Conduct for Employees
Health Safety Handbook
Boarding Staff Handbook
National Minimum Standards for Boarding Schools
ISI Handbook for the Inspection of Schools, Regulatory Requirements
Teachers' Standards
Departmental Handbook
Keeping Children Safe in Education
Safeguarding Policy
Medical Policies
Complaints Policy (Parents)
Complaints Policy (Pupils)

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