RADIATION EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

A. Fire emergencies involving radiation
   1) Dial 911 and give nature and location.
   2) Set off fire alarm.
   3) Notify all personnel in the area to leave immediately and assemble in a nearby safe area.
   4) Use extinguisher if blaze is small.
   5) Inform emergency personnel about radioactive materials, where they are stored, being used, present location as well as any precautions to avoid exposure.
   6) Follow Paragraph C. (Radiation Safety Procedures)
   7) University police should notify the Radiation Safety Officer (RSO) of the incident immediately.

B. Medical emergencies involving radiation
   1) Dial 911 if requested by injured person or if person is unconscious.
   2) If the medical Emergency involves a student, work with university police to insure student Health Services is notified.
   3) Inform medical personnel that radiation hazard may exist.
   4) University police will notify RSO of incident.

C. Radiation safety procedures
   1) Evacuate personnel from radiation area.
   2) Assemble all personnel in nearby safe area and keep them there until radiation surveys and personnel decontamination are performed by RSO.
   3) Prevent spread of contamination from accident site. Use nearest telephone for communications and avoid walking through the building.
   4) Close doors and windows and, if convenient, turn off air equipment that might transfer radiation contamination throughout the building.
   5) Control access to radiation area and place warning signs indicating radiation and contamination hazards.
   6) University police will notify RSO of incident.
   7) Decontamination of rooms and building shall only be done under Health Physics supervision.

EMERGENCY NUMBER

DIAL 911

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