

Emergencies

When an emergency occurs:

In Hospital Locations
1. Dial 4-0001
2. Give your name
3. A telephone number where you are located
4. Your building and room number
In a Non-Hospital Area
1. Call UAB Police – 911 on campus phones or 974-3535 on a cell phone.
2. Report the nature of the emergency.
3. Give the location of the emergency
4. State where you will meet the emergency vehicle.
5. State how many persons are involved.
6. Tell them the type and severity of any observed injuries.
7. Notify others in the area about the nature of the emergency.
8. Meet the ambulance or fire crews at the place you indicated. Send someone else if you cannot go.
9. Do not move any injured persons unless they are in danger.
10. Keep them warm. Unnecessary movement can severely complicate neck injuries and fractures.

If Chemicals Have Been Spilled

If chemicals have been spilled on someone:

1. Get the individual under a shower or spigot to wash the affected area thoroughly
2. If they have chemicals in their eyes:
 - a. irrigate with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes
 - b. check for and remove contact lenses before irrigation



Contact lenses may be difficult to remove, and the irrigation must not be delayed.

Chemical Safety - Emergencies

If Hazardous Chemicals Have Been Ingested

If hazardous chemicals are ingested:

1. try to identify the substances involved
2. notify medical staff or the local poison control center at 4-4606
3. never attempt to give anything by mouth to an unconscious person

Injuries

Non-Life Threatening Injuries

During regular work hours:

- have the supervisor or lab manager fill out a the Initial Medical Evaluation Authorization
- send the injured employee to The Workplace with the form, (205) 933-5300, 2151 Highland Avenue, Birmingham, AL 35205.
- complete an Accident Report as soon as possible after the incident occurred

Life-Threatening Injuries

- Call emergency services
- Have the victim transported to the University Hospital emergency department.
- When calling for emergency assistance, stay on the line until the emergency operator tells you to hang up.
 - Tell them which entrance to use and have someone meet the emergency response crew at that entrance to guide them to the injured person.
 - Also notify the emergency responders about any special hazards that may be involved (ex. radioactive materials, chemicals, etc.).



For more information about handling emergencies and/or injuries, visit the [On-The-Job Injury/Illness Program](#) website.