Only trained staff may clean up minor spills.

1. Notify co-workers of the spill and restrict access to affected area during clean up.

2. Retrieve chemotherapy spill kit containing caution sign, absorbent pillows, absorbent towels, HD Clean wipes, personal protective equipment, brush & scoop, waste disposal bags and spill checklist.

3. Wear personal protective equipment: gown, shoe covers, your own fitted N95 respirator mask (not the one in spill kit), chemical splash goggles, and double nitrile gloves.

4. Place spill pillows in a “V” position on outer perimeter of spill to prevent spread.

5. Place absorbent towel over spill, being careful not to touch spill. Place chux pad over absorbent towel, plastic side up, to reduce vaporization. (Note: for a powdered hazardous drug spill, dampen absorbent pad with water and wipe up powder.)

6. Pick up saturated towels and spill pillows, chux and place in small yellow chemo waste bag. Sweep any glass fragments into scoop with brush, and place all in same chemo waste bag.

7. Wipe down spill area with HD Clean Wipe 1 and then wipe with HD Clean Wipe 2. Repeat this process. (Note: the wipes can clean up to an 8 square foot area.) Place wipes in same chemo waste bag and seal; put sealed bag in Spill Kit box and seal the box with small orange label.

8. Remove respirator, goggles, gown and gloves, place in large yellow chemo waste bag along with Spill Kit box. Seal bag and place large orange waste label on bag. Call EH&S at 4-6783 for waste pick up.

9. Complete Hazardous Drug Spill Checklist, provide copy to supervisor, Employee Health & Wellness (z=7409) and EH&S (z=8017).

10. Order replacement spill kit through Lawson (# 60434).

For a major spill or if you need assistance:

In University Hospital: Call University Police, 911 (cell phone: 631-632-3333)

In Hospital Off Site Facilities: Call local police, 911

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