

First Aid for Dog Bite

Experiment 13 - Practical Notes

Name: _____ Roll no.: _____ Date: _____

Aim

To recognise a dog bite scenario and demonstrate the first response.

Principle

First aid prioritises scene safety, airway and breathing, prevention of further harm and timely transfer to qualified care.

Key Points

- Wash the wound with soap and running water for about 15 minutes and seek prompt rabies-exposure and wound assessment.
- Do not delay assessment while waiting to see whether the animal becomes ill.
- The clinical team assesses rabies prevention, tetanus status and wound care.

Practice Scenario

Fictional role-play case: A person has a fresh dog-bite wound.

Activity Procedure

1. Recognise

Identify the scenario and immediate hazards.

2. Activate

Arrange the appropriate emergency or urgent referral and explain the concern.

3. Demonstrate

Wash the wound with soap and running water for about 15 minutes and seek prompt rabies-exposure and wound assessment.

4. Handover

Give the event time, symptoms, actions and available product or exposure information.

Record and Observations

Field	Activity record
Event / time	_____
Immediate action	_____
Actions avoided	_____
Referral / handover	_____

Result

Complete the record using your activity, then state the findings, the action required and the reason for that action.

Precautions

- Use a mannequin or role play for demonstrations.
- Do not attempt definitive medical treatment during the student exercise.

Viva Questions and Answers

1. What is the first priority?

Rescuer and scene safety, followed by immediate life threats.

2. What action should be avoided?

Do not delay assessment while waiting to see whether the animal becomes ill.

3. Why document time?

It helps the receiving team interpret the event and treatment needs.

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