2-05/025.00 Employee Exposure Follow-Up

When an employee believes that he/she has had contact with the bodily fluids of a person in custody, he/she shall report this to the Branch Supervisor using the “Report of Request and Decision for HIV Testing (DHS 8459).” The report will be submitted by the end of the employee’s shift but no later than two days after the incident. The Branch Supervisor will have the report sent, U.S. mail or hand carried to the Department of Health Services and the Health and Safety Unit within 48 hours.

The report will include the following:

- Names of persons involved in the incident
- Names of witnesses to the incident
- All written statements from these parties
- Narrative of the incident
- Any request by the employee that the County Health Officer order HIV or communicable disease testing of the inmate

In circumstances where a person who is charged with a crime and who has bitten, scratched, spat upon or transferred blood or other bodily fluids on, upon, or through the skin or mucous membranes of a peace officer, the peace officer may request that the court order the inmate to provide two specimens of blood for testing for AIDS, an AIDS related condition, or other communicable diseases.