

**UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA COLLEGE OF MEDICINE JACKSONVILLE**  
**Office of Educational Affairs**  
 RESIDENT MANUAL

**EXPOSURE TO COMMUNICABLE DISEASES**

A communicable disease is defined as an infection that can be transmitted from one individual to another, directly or indirectly, and poses a significant threat to the health and well-being of an individual. All suspected exposures to communicable diseases must be reported to Employee Health. A resident found to have a definite exposure may be removed from their duties. Prophylaxis and treatment will be carried out according to Employee Health Protocols. Examples of possible exposures that should be reported include:

<b>DISEASE</b>	<b>TYPE EXPOSURE</b>	<b>INCUBATION</b>
Anthrax	bodily secretions exposure	48 hrs-7 days
Diphtheria	respiratory exposure	48 hours
Hepatitis B or C	blood exposure	45 days /14 days
HIV	blood/body fluid exposure	12 weeks
Measles (rubeola)	respiratory exposure	10 days
Meningococcal disease	respiratory exposure	48 hours
Poliomyelitis	stool exposure	7 days
Q fever	respiratory exposure	2 weeks
Rubella	respiratory exposure	14 days
Syphilis, infectious stage	blood exposure	10 days
Tuberculosis	respiratory exposure	4 weeks
Typhoid fever	stool exposure	3 days
Vaccinia (disseminated)	skin secretion exposure	14 days
Varicella	respiratory exposure	14 days