E. Coli (enterohemorrhagic)
(to be carried at all times and presented to medical personnel in the event of exposure)

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR EMERGENCY PERSONNEL

The individual carrying this card works in a laboratory with enterohemorrhagic E. coli, and may have come into contact with the bacteria via accidental ingestion or percutaneous exposure.

Note: This card is intended to be informational and should not substitute for clinical presentation and provider judgment of individual clinical cases.

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MEDICAL ALERT INFORMATION

The person carrying this card has an occupational exposure to enterohemorrhagic E. coli. Immediately call Occupational Health at 301.405.3315

COMMON SYMPTOMS
• Incubation period 2-6 days (median 3-4 days)
• Initially watery, then bloody diarrhea; abdominal pain; possible low-grade fever
• Potential for hemolytic-uremic syndrome (HUS) or thrombocytopenic purpura (TTP)

POST-EXPOSURE TREATMENT
• Thoroughly wash any skin wounds with soap and water and/or flush eyes or other affected mucous membranes with water
• TMP-Sulfa and Bismuth subsalicylate may be considered to help reduce risk of developing symptomatic disease
• If symptomatic, oral or IV hydration as needed

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