



HSC Safety Tips No. (24)

1. In laboratories areas, **AVOID** eating, drinking, smoking, handling contact lenses, applying cosmetics, or taking or applying medicine. **AVOID** touching your mouth, nose and eyes.
2. **NEVER** use your mouth to pipette liquids; only use mechanical pipetting devices.
3. Perform your experimental procedures carefully to reduce the possibility of creating splashes or aerosols. Restrict operations that generate hazardous aerosols to biological safety cabinets or other ventilated enclosures, such as animal bedding dump stations.
4. All laboratory accidents, injuries, or close calls should be promptly reported using the **HSC Incident Report** form.
5. Avoid using sharps whenever possible. Be extremely careful when using a needle and syringe or when using sharps during necropsy (autopsy) procedures. **NEVER** remove, recap, bend, break, or clip used needles from disposable syringes.

