

FIRST AID FOR **VARIOUS** BITES

INSECT BITE



- ◆ Wash the area with soap and water
- ◆ Apply a cool compress or ice pack to reduce swelling and itching
- ◆ Use a topical treatment such as calamine lotion or a baking soda paste on bite
- ◆ Don't hesitate to seek treatment if symptoms worsen - if redness or swelling spreads, or if the victim develops a fever or has difficulty breathing, see a doctor immediately

SPIDER BITE



- ◆ Wash the area with soap and water
- ◆ Apply a cool compress or ice pack to reduce swelling and itching
- ◆ Administer aspirin to help with pain
- ◆ Watch for increased pain, swelling, redness or pus at the site - these can indicate infection, and should be treated properly

SNAKE BITE



- ◆ Get away from the snake and have the victim sit or lie down - keep them calm
- ◆ Remove any constricting clothing or jewelry and clean bite area with soap and water
- ◆ Do not apply a tourniquet or ice, which can restrict blood flow and cause further injury to the victim
- ◆ Do not give victim any food or drink

ANIMAL BITE



- ◆ Apply pressure to control the bleeding
- ◆ Minor bites require basic first aid, while severe bites may require stitches or other surgery
- ◆ Do not use dirty bandages or risk extensive infection

HUMAN BITE



- ◆ Apply pressure to control the bleeding
- ◆ Minor bites require basic first aid, while severe bites may require stitches or other surgery
- ◆ Do not use dirty bandages or risk extensive infection

PRACTICE PROPER BANDAGING

Always wear bandages and immobilize bandages, especially on joint wounds.

