



Blood or Body Fluid Exposure



**Information for the
Patient**

A staff member has been exposed to your blood or body fluid. Illness can be passed from one person to another in this way.

We routinely test for:

Hepatitis B Virus

This is quite common in New Zealand and some people are carriers without feeling unwell.

Hepatitis C Virus

Less common than Hepatitis B, carriers are usually quite well themselves but over many years, liver damage can occur.

Human Immunodeficiency Virus

Uncommon in New Zealand, but a serious infection requiring treatment.

Your blood results

Your blood test result will be managed by your General Practitioner and they are responsible for telling you about the result of your blood tests.

We recommend you contact your General Practitioner and let them know that you have had blood testing completed due to a Pegasus Health staff member having accidental exposure to your blood / body substance.

If you or your General Practitioner would like to contact the Pegasus Health 24 Hour Surgery regarding this event, please telephone 365 7777.