



SPRING TIME INSECT SAFETY

TOOLBOX TALK SERIES – INJURY PREVENTION

Week 1 and Week 2 – April 2022



Bees

Many various types of bees are found locally.

How to Avoid:

- Wear Light Colored Clothing
- Avoid perfumes and colognes
- Wear clothing to cover as much of the body as possible
- Remain calm if a single insect is flying around you. Do not swat at it

If your Stung:

- Use a credit card to remove stinger
- Apply ice to site of sting
- Wash sting site with soap and water
- Place hydrocortisone cream on sting site



Spiders

Most spiders in our area are not poisonous.

How to Avoid:

- Wear clothing to cover as much skin as possible - Including gloves
- Don't disturb obvious nesting areas
- Inspect outdoor items prior to lifting or moving

If your bitten:

- Clean with Soap and Water
- Apply cool compress.
- If spider is poisonous, seek medical care immediately.

Ticks

Ticks are found typically in grass and brush areas.

How to Avoid:

- Avoid bushy and high grass areas.
- Wear clothing to cover as much of the lower body as possible.
- Inspect body and clothing after work



If your bitten:

- Remove tick by using tweezers and grasping tick close to surface of skin.
- Gently pull tick. Don't jerk.
- After removing tick, wash with soap & water.
- Seek medical care if there is a reaction.

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