BLOOD IN EMESIS (VOMIT), SPUTUM (LUNG SECRETION), STOOL OR URINE

1. Symptoms/Presentation:
   - Any blood that is bright red, dull red, or coffee ground in appearance in Emesis, Sputum, Stool or Urine

2. Wear disposable gloves while treating inmate.

3. INSTRUCT INMATE THAT HEALTH TRAINED OFFICER OR FACILITY NURSE MUST SEE EVIDENCE OF BLEEDING.

4. Emesis (vomit):
   - Check throat and nose for irritation.
     - Has there been a recent nose bleed?
     - If blood is from throat or nose irritation and is a small amount; then
       - Contact Facility Nurse for instructions.
       - Treat for nausea and vomiting
   - If emesis contains large amounts of bright red fresh blood.
     - Have inmate lie down on his/her side to prevent aspiration.
     - Check pulse and respiration.
     - Contact Facility Nurse, Facility Provider or Emergency Room Physician for instructions.

5. Sputum (lung secretion):
   - Check to see if the blood is only in the saliva:
     - If it is, check for bleeding in mouth.
     - If not, continue:
   - Obtain medical history:
     - Has inmate ever spat up blood like this before?
     - If yes, does inmate know what caused it?
o Has inmate had a recent tuberculosis test?
o Isolate until further assessment by medical in the Medical Unit, or Cells 302 or 303.
o If TB is suspected, staff must wear protective particulate masks in the presence of the inmate. If the inmate comes out of the cell he/she must wear a mask.

- Contact Facility Nurse, Facility Provider or Emergency Room Physician, pass on information and request further instructions.

6. Stool:

- Obtain medical history:
  o Does he/she have hemorrhoids?
  o Has inmate ever had rectal bleeding before?
  o If yes, what caused bleeding?

- Contact Facility Nurse, Facility Provider or Emergency Room Physician after hours, pass on information and request further instructions.

7. Urine:

- Obtain medical history:
  o Has inmate ever had blood in his/her urine before?
  o If yes, what caused bleeding?
  o Contact Facility Nurse, Facility Provider or Emergency Room Physician after hours, pass on information and request further instructions.