

**645—22.10(158) Universal precautions.** All licensees shall practice universal precautions consistently by observing the following:

1. Placing used razor blades and other sharp instruments to be disposed in a puncture-resistant container. The containers shall be located as close to the use area as is practical;
2. Wearing disposable gloves to prevent exposure to blood, body fluids containing visible blood or body fluids to which universal precautions apply;
3. Immediately and thoroughly washing hands and other skin surfaces that are contaminated with blood and other body fluids to which universal precautions apply;
4. Refraining from all direct client care and from handling client-care equipment if the licensee has weeping dermatitis or draining lesions;
5. Sterilizing or properly disposing of all instruments or implements that penetrate or puncture the skin; and
6. Disinfecting all instruments or implements that do not penetrate or puncture the skin.