



# Safe handling recommendations for patients

## 9. Spillage of oncology drugs

- Only trained employees are allowed to clean a spillage
- A spill kit must be located in all areas where oncology drugs are handled
- Use written protocols for usage of the spill kit
- Report, secure and mark contaminated area. Ask all unnecessary employees to vacate the area
- Use a spill kit or other single use equipment dedicated to cleaning spillage and wear all necessary PPE (double gloves, cleanroom long gown or coverall with elastic sleeves, shoe covers, filter mask and goggles)
  - Removing powder: use wet paper towels to cover the spillage and let the powder be absorbed by the liquid. Never use a hand brush for cleaning up powder. Removing liquid: use dry paper towel. Put soaked towels in a plastic bag, repeat if necessary. Close bags as soon as possible
  - After all spillage has been removed with towels, clean the area with generous amounts of decontaminating solution
  - All waste bags, cleaning materials, cloths and gloves should be put into a robust external waste bag clearly labelled as cytotoxic material
  - Secure the external waste bag by sealing tightly with cable ties and place in a waste container designated for hazardous waste
- Write an incident report