

BITES AND STINGS

UNIVERSAL ALGORITHM

- Scene Safety
- PPE
- ABCs
- Administer oxygen per Policy 580

Insect Stings

Animal Bites

- Remove stinger if visible by scraping. Do not “pinch” using tweezers or other instruments
- Apply ice to the sting site
- Monitor patient for signs of allergic reaction. If present, refer to Policy 550

- Administer oxygen 4-6 liters/minute by cannula.
- Treat wounds as appropriate

- Reassure/calm patient
- Position of comfort
- Obtain vital signs
- Obtain medical history
- Gather medications or list