SPILL RESPONSE CATEGORIES

**Category A**: Highly Toxic, Volatile Large Volume, Unidentified Chemical, High Risk Chemicals such as:

Acetic Acid

Acetone

Citric Acid

Ammonium Hydroxide

Ammonium Molybdate

Ammonium Sulfate

Benzoic Acid

Calcium gluconate

Carbon Tetrachloride

Formaldehyde

Oxalic Acid

Perchloric Acid

Potassium Thiocyanate

Sodium Nitroprusside

Evacuate/isolate spill area; warn others; assist those who may need help. Provide medical treatment for those exposed, if necessary. Obtain M.S.D.S. If the Fire Department is notified (required if spill is over 1 gallon (4 liters) provide the following information: Location of spill/release and chemical name, if known

**Category B**: Non-volatile, Low Toxicity, Small Volume (under 500 ml.)

Evacuate/isolate spill area; warn others; assist those who may need help. Provide medical treatment for those exposed, if necessary. Obtain M.S.D.S. Perform clean-up according to M.S.D.S or departmental spill procedures. Place all materials and waste from clean-up into yellow spill bucket, secure lid and label as to contents. Attach copy of M.S.D.S. to yellow spill bucket with scotch tape and contact the Safety Committee to arrange for disposal.

**Category C**: Infectious waste

Evacuate/isolate spill area; warn others; assist those who may need help. Provide medical treatment for those exposed, if necessary. Do not ventilate area for biohazard spills. Wear protective clothing , eye protection, gloves Cover spill with a paper towel/absorbent material to avoid splashing and to contain spill. Pour solution of Detergent/Disinfectant on covered spill and let stand for 10 minutes contact time. Wipe up with paper towels or other absorbent material and dispose in regular trash

**Category E:**  Chemotherapy Material Release. Clean-up of chemotherapy material release will be the responsibility of the department where the material is utilized.