**SYMPTOMATIC MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES FOR NON-HEALTH STAFF**

**LACERATIONS**

Authorized non-health staff may manage lacerations as follows:

1. Stop bleeding by direct compression of the wound with sterile gauze, if available, or any other clean cloth. Perform these procedures with protective gloves. Elevate the extremity with the laceration.
2. If bleeding does not slow or stop with five minutes of direct pressure, call 911.

# WHEN TO CONTACT THE ON-CALL HEALTH AND WELLNESS STAFF

* For all lacerations to determine the need for suturing and follow up