

**Recordability-First Aid vs. Medical Treatment,  
And Significant Diagnosed Injury or Illness  
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Not Recordable

- Visits to a medical provider or other licensed health care professional (LHCP) solely for observation or counseling.
- Diagnostic procedures, such as x-rays and blood tests, including the administration of prescription medications solely for diagnostic purposes (e.g., eye drops to dilate pupils).

First Aid (All Inclusive) -Not Recordable

- Using **nonprescription medications** at nonprescription strength (for medications available as both prescription and nonprescription drugs). A recommendation by a medical provider or other LHCP to use a nonprescription drug at prescription strength is considered medical treatment for recordkeeping purposes.
- Administering tetanus or diphtheria **immunizations** (other immunizations, such as Hepatitis B vaccine or rabies vaccine, are considered medical treatment).
- Cleaning, flushing or soaking **wounds on the surface** of the skin.
- Using **wound coverings** such as bandages, Band-Aids, gauze pads, butterfly bandages, Steri-Strips, etc. (other wound closing devices such as sutures, staples, etc. are considered medical treatment).
- Using hot or cold **therapy**.
- Using any **non-rigid means of support** such as elastic bandages, wraps, non-rigid back belts, etc. (devices with rigid stays or other systems designed to immobilize parts of the body are considered medical treatment for recordkeeping purposes).
- Using **temporary immobilization devices while transporting** an accident victim (e.g. splints, slings, neck collars, back boards, etc.).
- Drilling of a fingernail or toenail to **relieve pressure**, or **draining fluid** from a blister.
- Using eye patches.
- Removing foreign bodies from the eye **using only irrigation or a cotton swab**.
- **Removing splinters or foreign material from areas other than the eyes** by irrigation, tweezers, cotton swabs or other simple means.
- Using finger **guards**.

### First Aid (All Inclusive) - **Not Recordable** (cont.)

- Using **non-therapeutic massages** (physical therapy or chiropractic treatment are considered medical treatment for recordkeeping purposes).
- Drinking **fluids for relief** of heat disorders..

### Medical Treatment – **Recordable**

- All treatment that does not fall into first aid as listed above.
- Using prescription medications or use of a nonprescription drug at prescription strength.
- Using wound closing devices such as surgical glue, sutures, staples, etc.
- Using any devices with rigid stays or other systems designed to immobilize parts of the body.

### Significant Diagnosed Injury or Illness — **Recordable**

- Any serious or significant work-related disorder that is diagnosed by a medical provider or other licensed health care provider or identified by a positive medical test. These include work-related cases involving cancer, chronic irreversible disease, a fractured or a cracked bone or a punctured eardrum.