Hydrofluoric Acid

Any skin contact with HF requires immediate and specialized first aid AND medical treatment.
When assisting an individual exposed to HF ALWAYS don your lab coat, safety eyewear and gloves to prevent your own exposure.

SKIN EXPOSURE

1. Exposed person should immediately move under a safety shower (or other water source) and flush the affected area thoroughly. Have a co-worker call for emergency assistance 412-624-2121.

2. Remove all contaminated clothing while continuing to flush with water.

3. Rinse for 5 minutes, then don fresh gloves and gently apply calcium gluconate to the affected skin area. If no gel is available, continue rinsing until medical help arrives.

EYE EXPOSURE

Immediately use the eyewash until medical help arrives. Have a co-worker call for emergency assistance 412-624-2121.