## Identifying Alcohol Poisoning & Responding

If you are every in a situation where someone might need medical attention, East Tennessee State University wants you to be prepared and know your resources.

**CUSP** is a helpful acronym to help identify possible alcohol poisoning:

* **C**: Cold, clammy skin
* **U**: Unconsciousness
* **S**: Slowed or irregular breathing
* **P**: Puking, particularly while passed out

Only **ONE** of these symptoms needs to be present for alcohol poisoning.

What should you do if you suspect someone is suffering from alcohol poisoning?

1. Whether ON or OFF CAMPUS, **dial 911**
2. While waiting for assistance, turn the intoxicated person on their side and maintain that position by placing a pillow in the small of the person’s back. This is important to prevent choking should the individual vomit.
3. **ALWAYS** stay with the person until medical help arrive.