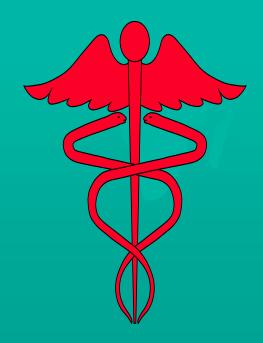
BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS ANNUAL UPDATE

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BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS OSHA Standard (29 CFR 1910.1030)

- Provides Requirements Of Employer
- → Requires Identifying At-Risk Employees
- → Requires Training For At-Risk Employees
- → Requires Retraining Within 365 Days
- → Requires HBV Vaccination Opportunity
- → Requires A Written Exposure Control Plan

BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS

- ♦ What Are They?
- → What Do They Mean To You?



BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS

- → Bloodborne: Carried By And Lives In Human Blood (Or Other Body Fluids Or Substances)
- → Pathogen: A Micro-Organism (Virus, Fungus, Or Bacteria) That Can Cause A Disease

TYPES OF PATHOGENS

- → Virus: A Parasitic Microscopic Protein Material (DNA Or RNA) Covered By An Envelope Of Lipoprotein. Nonliving
- → Bacteria: One-Celled Living Organism
- → Fungi: Single And Multi-Celled Plants
- ♦ Yeast: One Celled, Oval Shaped Fungus
- → Mold: A Growth Of Fungi

ILLNESSES PATHOGENS CAUSE

- → Virus: Measles, Colds, Mumps, Influenza, Polio, Hepatitis A, B, & C, AIDS, Measles, Herpes
- Bacteria: Pneumonia, Tuberculosis, Typhoid, Tetanus
- Yeasts & Molds: Meningitis, Asthma, Allergies

HOW PATHOGENS ENTER THE BODY

- → Through Alimentary Canal
- Through Parenteral Openings
- → Through Mucous Membranes
 - In Mouth, Nose, And Eyes
 - By Sexual Contact



HEPATITIS A VIRUS

- → Acquired Primarily Through The Fecal-Oral Route - NOT A BLOODBORNE PATHOGEN
- → The "Restaurant" Kind of Hepatitis
- Causes An Infection Of The Liver
- Cannot Be Identified From Other Hepatitis
 Forms W/O Testing

HEPATITIS A VIRUS

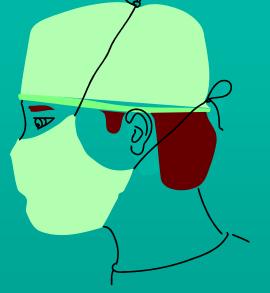
- Can Be Stable For Up To 18 Months
- → Heating Foods Above 180° F. For 1 Minute Will Kill
- → Good Hygiene (Washing Hands) Can Prevent
- ♦ A 1:10 Solution Of Household Bleach Is A Good And Inexpensive Disinfectant

SYMPTOMS OF HAV

- → Flu-like, Fatigue, Appetite Loss
- Colon Ulcers and Inflammation
- → Lung Disease, Anemia Increase
- → Jaundice, Liver Problems
- → Fever, Acne, and Joint Pain

HEPATITIS B VIRUS

- Very Contagious, Dangerous Infection
- → 100 Times More Contagious Than HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus)



HEPATITIS B VIRUS

Contracted From Contact with Blood, Blood Products, And Other Body Substances

→ Some People Are Carriers, Never Get Sick, And Can Infect C

HEPATITIS B VIRUS

- ♦ Affects Different Individuals Differently
- ♦ No Cure, But There Are Preventive Vaccines
- Cannot Be Identified From Other Forms
 Without Testing

SYMPTOMS OF HBV

- → Flu-like, Fatigue, Appetite Loss
- Colon Ulcers & Inflammation
- → Lung Disease, Anemia Increase
- → Jaundice, Liver Problems
- → Fever, Acne, & Joint Pain

HEPATITIS C VIRUS

- ♦ A Viral Infection of the Liver
- ◆Spread By Contact With Blood (or Other Potentially Infectious Materials) of an Infected Person
- → Current Risk Rate is 1:10,000

HEPATITIS C VIRUS

- Once Contracted, Over 70% Chronic
- Cannot Be Identified From Other Forms
 Without Testing
- ♦ No Preventive Vaccine Available Yet

SYMPTOMS OF HCV

- → Flu-like, Fatigue, Appetite Loss
- Colon Ulcers & Inflammation
- → Lung Disease, Anemia Increase
- → Jaundice, Liver Problems
- → Fever, Acne, & Joint Pain

HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV)

- Spread By Exchange Of Human Blood, Human Blood Products, Or Other Potentially Infectious Materials
- Attacks Body's Immune System
- → May Take Years To Show Positive Signs

HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV)

- Usually Develops Into AIDS
- → AIDS Never Kills
- → Death Caused By Other Infections
- → Far Less Contagious Than HBV

SYMPTOMS OF HIV

- → Fatigue
- → Night Sweats
- Weight Loss
- Gland Pain Or Swelling
- → Muscle And Joint Pain
- → Fever

PREVENTION TECHNIQUES

- → Universal Precautions Or Body Substance Isolation
- → HBV Vaccine & HBIG Shot
- Engineering Controls
- → Work Practice Controls
- Personal Protective Equipment

UNIVERSAL PRECAUTIONS

◆ Treat All Human Blood And Other Potentially Infectious Materials (OPIM) As A Possible Source Of Contamination And Infection



UNIVERSAL PRECAUTIONS BODY FLUIDS

- Human Blood Or Products Made From Human Blood
- ♦ Saliva In Dental Procedures
- Semen & Vaginal Secretions

UNIVERSAL PRECAUTIONS BODY FLUIDS

- → Fluids Surrounding Body Organs
- ♦ Any Fluid Containing Human Blood
- Any Unidentifiable Body Fluid

BODY SUBSTANCE ISOLATION FLUIDS

- → Nasal Secretions
- → Sputum
- → Sweat Or Tears
- → Vomitus
- → Feces
- → Urine

HBV VACCINE

- → Employer Must Always Provide At-Risk Employees With The Opportunity
- → Employee Must Take Shots OR Sign A Declination Form
- → Three Shots Over Six Months
- ♦ 95% Effective And Few After-Effects
- → HBIG Shot After Exposure

ENGINEERING CONTROLS

- Any Physical Device Or Equipment Used Or Installed To Prevent Occupational Hazard Exposure, Illness, Or Injury
- Examples: Gloves, Eye Wash Stations, Sharps Containers, Broom And Dust Pan





WORK PRACTICE CONTROLS

- The Process And Procedures Used To Assure Work Is Conducted In A Safe And Healthy Manner
- ◆ Examples: Washing Hands After Wearing Gloves, Not Reusing Needles, Always Wearing Eye Protection In Labs, Never Touching Broken Glass With Bare Hands, Etc.

WORK PRACTICE CONTROLS

- Minimize Splashing, Spraying, Misting, Etc.
- Mouth Suctioning Of Blood Or Other Potentially Infectious Materials Prohibited
- Proper Decontamination And Sterilization
- Cleanup Care And Maintenance Of Equipment

WORK PRACTICE CONTROLS

- ◆ No Eating, Drinking, Smoking, Applying Cosmetics Or Lip Balm, Or Handling Contact Lenses Where There Is A Risk Of Contamination
- Proper And Timely Handwashing (The Greatest Deterrent To Infection)

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- **♦ LATEX GLOVES**
- **♦** GOWNS
- → APRONS
- → FACE SHIELDS
- **→** MASKS
- **→** GOGGLES
- **→ HARD HATS**

- → STEEL TOED
 BOOTS
- → RUBBER COATS
- → RUBBER BOOTS
- → CPR MICROSHIELD
- **♦ RESPIRATORS**
- → SCBA GEAR

HOUSEKEEPING

- Keep Work Area Clean, Dry, And Uncluttered
- Follow Regular Routines In Inspecting Equipment
- Follow Exposure Control Plan To Clean Spills Or Releases

HOUSEKEEPING

- Keep Storage Areas Free From Hazards
- Properly Label And Handle Hazardous Materials And Hazardous Waste



BIOHAZARD WASTE DISPOSAL

- Biohazard Bags Must Be Florescent Red, Or If Another Color, Labeled With Black Symbol On Red Background
- ♦ Sharps: Put Nothing But Sharps (Needles, Broken Glass, Knives, Scissors, Etc.) In A Sharps Container

POST-EXPOSURE PROCESS

- Call Emergency Response
- Report Exposure Or Suspected Exposure To Your Supervisor
- → To Minimize Exposure Of Others, Isolate Affected Area

POST-EXPOSURE PROCESS

- → If Giving Assistance, Don Appropriate PPE
- → Disinfect Yourself Immediately
- Clean And Disinfect Accident Area
- → Properly Dispose Of Regulated Waste

REPORT INCIDENT IMMEDIATELY

- → Report How, When, Where, Who, Etc.
- → Determine And Include The Source Of Blood
- → Describe Events In As Much Detail As Possible
- Submit Report To Your Supervisor

POST-EXPOSURE TESTING OF SOURCE PERSON

- ◆ If Person Is Known, Oklahoma Requires Source Individual To Be Tested (Federal Does Not)
- Results Are Required To Be Made Known To Victim And Employer
- ◆ All Test Records Are Otherwise Confidential

POST-EXPOSURE MEDICAL CARE

- → If Work Related, Must Be Provided By The Employer
- Only The Victim's Medical Records Pertaining To The Incident May Be Viewed As Part Of The Follow-Up
- Written Report Due To The Employer From The Health Professional Within 15 Days

CAUTIONS AND REMINDERS

- → Is It An Accident Or Incident?
- Do Not Attempt To Help Beyond Skill Or Expertise
- ◆ If The Victim Is Conscious, Let Them Control Their Own Blood Flow
- ♦ Never Touch Other's Blood Or OPIM!