

BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS FOR HEALTH CARE WORKERS CURRICULUM

INTRODUCTION

The attached materials will assist in teaching the information about bloodborne pathogens for health care workers as required in the OSHA plan. This document serves as an introduction to the teacher/trainer. The course materials include general information as well as multiple resource materials that are useful for teaching and also in the daily provision of health care in the institution.



For each section herein, the objectives are listed which describe the points to cover in the class. The outline curriculum provides information needed to teach the class, as well as references and attachments that provide backup information about the topics of each section of the presentation.

Some of the listed resource materials are found in the teaching materials which will be sent to each institution. Others will be materials that are available at the institution, such as Health Services Bulletins.

A yearly update will be provided by Central Office personnel (Director of Medical Services and/or Clinical Contract Monitor- Public Health). This updated information may be used to guide the educational presentation for the annual review of bloodborne pathogens. During the annual review, it is suggested that the basic information about the course be available to all students for review, as necessary, while the presentation focuses on new information that is pertinent to health care workers in this setting.

Extra materials, such as current data about bloodborne pathogen exposures in DC personnel or rates of HIV/AIDS cases or deaths, may be available through the Central Office Clinical Contract Monitor- Public Health and Mortality Review Coordinator. In addition, any questions that occur when providing the class or at any other time may be directed to the Central Office Clinical Contract Monitor- Public Health or the Central Office environmental health and safety office.

When needed, the Central Office Clinical Contract Monitor- Public Health may be consulted (850-717-3236).

Attachments:

- Section I Bloodborne Infections
- Section II Transmission
- Section III Exposure Control
- Section IV Work Practice Controls
- Section V Postexposure Prophylaxis