



**TITLE: Blood Borne Pathogens (BBP)-
Occupational Post-Exposure**

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PURPOSE: To document the type and circumstances of a blood and body fluid exposure.

DEFINITIONS: Definition of Health-Care Worker: Healthcare Workers (HCW) are defined as persons (e.g. employees, students, contractors, physicians, public safety workers, or volunteers) whose activities involve contact with patients or with blood or other body fluids from patients in a health care, laboratory or public-safety setting. The potential exists for blood and body fluid exposure to other workers, and the same principles of exposure management could be applied to all settings.

AN OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE REQUIRING MONITORING IS DEFINED AS:

- Percutaneous injury (e.g. needlestick, laceration with a sharp object)
- Contact of mucous membranes or ocular membranes
- Contact of non-intact skin (e.g., skin that is chapped, abraded)
- Contact with intact skin that is prolonged or involves an extensive area with blood or other potentially infectious fluid (semen; vaginal secretions; and cerebrospinal, synovial, pleural, peritoneal, pericardial and amniotic fluids; bloody body fluids and unfixed tissue).

OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE PROCEDURE

If a HCW has an occupational exposure, they will:

- Wash the skin site that has been in contact with blood or body fluids with soap and water. Mucous membranes should be flushed with water.
- Promptly report the situation to supervisor.
- The supervisor will assist with filling out:
 - Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Notification Form (Send to Infection Control)
 - Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Management Form (Send to Infection Control)
 - Hospital Incidents & Events Form (Send to Risk Manager)

See Forms:	20.IC-EC 01.0.A	Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Checklists
	20. IC-EC 01.0.B	Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Notification Form
	20. IC-EC 01.0.C	Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Management Form
	20. IC-EC 01.0.D	Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Patient Information - ATTACHMENT
	IC-EC 01.0.E	Bloodborne Pathogens Informed Consent – Declination for Blood Source Analysis

REFERENCES

CDC. Updated U.S. Public Health Service Guidelines for the Management of Occupational Exposures to HBV, HCV, and HIV and Recommendations for Post-exposure Prophylaxis. MMWR 2001; 50 (No. RR-11):1-53.

OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens Standard 1910.1030

End of Policy and Procedure