



ASSESSMENT OF OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURES TO BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS:

AMBULATORY SURGERY CENTERS

Definitions of Terms

HCV: Hepatitis C Virus

HBV: Hepatitis B Virus

HIV: Human Immunodeficiency Virus

PEP: Postexposure Prophylaxis

Percutaneous exposure: Exposure by penetration of the skin by a needle or other sharp object that was in contact with blood, tissue, or other body fluid before the exposure

Mucosal exposure: Mucous membrane exposure to blood, tissue, or other body fluid for example, through the eyes or mouth

Cutaneous exposure: Exposure to blood, tissue, or other body fluid through breaks in the skin, for example, scratches, abrasions, burns, or other lesions

Sharp: Any device or object having corners, edges, or projections capable of cutting or piercing the skin (e.g., a needle, scalpel, bone fragment, etc.)

Healthcare worker: This includes but is not limited to full-time staff, part-time staff, professional staff, students, and volunteers.

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The following questions address facility awareness and preparation:

1. Does your facility have written policies and procedures for on-the-job exposure to blood/body fluids?
 - Yes
 - No
 - Do not know

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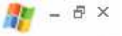
2. How often are the policies and procedures reviewed and updated?

- Quarterly
- Semi-annually
- Annually
- As new recommendations or handling/management procedures are known
- Do not know

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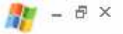
22. If serologic testing is performed for HIV, what is the schedule of testing?

- Baseline, 6 weeks, 3 months, 6 months after exposure
- Baseline, 6 weeks, 3 months, 6 months, 12 months after exposure
- Baseline, and other schedule (specify)

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Now we have a couple of questions about exposure prevention measures:

23. Do healthcare workers receive training about avoiding exposure to bloodborne pathogens at the beginning of their employment?

- Yes
- No

24. At what interval is additional training about bloodborne pathogens provided?

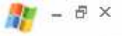
- Every year
- Every two years
- Only when new information is available
- Other (specify)

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29. Do you have any comments you would like to share concerning occupational exposure management practices or this survey?

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