

MICHIGAN STATE
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MEMORANDUM

FROM: Patti Pawski, Assistant Biological Safety Officer

RE: 2008 Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Control Plan

- The current 2006/2007 Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Control Plan (ECP) will remain effective until April 13, 2009.
- Please keep this memo with your ECP.
- Please make a note of the following five changes in all your copies of your Exposure Control Plans:

1. Cover sheet (on back page):

Change the phone number for Sparrow Hospital Emergency Room to: 364-4140.

2. Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Response Poster (insert in the ECP AND postings on wall):

Change the phone number for Sparrow Hospital Emergency Room to: 364-4140.

3. Page 14 under "Resources", AND in Appendix F (Safer Sharps Devices Annual Review Form, page 2)

Delete: "The National Alliance for the Primary Prevention of Sharps Injuries (NAPPSI)" and the website.

Add: "The International Healthcare Worker Safety Center at the University of Virginia Health System" and the website:

www.healthsystem.virginia.edu/internet/epinet/safetydevice.cfm

4. Page 17: 1st paragraph under "Vaccination Program"

Change: Michigan State University has implemented a vaccination program through MSU Occupational Health. This program is offered to all employees who have occupational exposure to bloodborne pathogens. The cost, as required by statute, is assumed by the employer, MSU.

5. Page 17: "Note" at bottom of page.

Delete portion of sentence: "If the contact was prolonged (i.e. several minutes or more)," sentence should be: "If there is any doubt regarding the condition of the contaminated skin, the employee must be medically evaluated as described in this section!"



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Are you using Sharps on Human materials?

- **Sharps include:** needles, scalpels, capillary tubes, vacutainers, lancets, etc.
- **Human materials include:** blood or other potentially infectious body fluids, cell lines, unfixed tissue/organs other than intact skin, cell or tissue cultures, organ cultures, culture medium or other solutions that may contain bloodborne pathogens, or blood from experimental animals infected with bloodborne pathogens.

Then you must:

- Evaluate and use safer sharps devices if they are available!
- Review safer sharps every year!
- Complete a Safer Sharps Annual Review Form annually!
- ***Attend the Safer Sharps Demonstration.***

By attending the safer sharps demonstration, you will be compliant with the MIOSHA Bloodborne Infectious Diseases Standard. There will be several vendors demonstrating their safer sharps products. If you are unable to attend any of the sessions, you will be responsible for research and documentation of new safer sharps products.

Please address any questions regarding this to Stephanie Edwards at 355-1283.

Notices:

- A Tuberculosis (TB) Exposure Control Plan is being developed and will be distributed to applicable departments upon completion.
- Please call Patti Pawski at 432-8044 or email at pawski@msu.edu if you have any questions regarding the Bloodborne Pathogens or Tuberculosis Exposure Control Plans.