




Inspector Instructions:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sampling of autopsy safety policies and procedures
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Posting of autopsy safety policies
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How does your laboratory ensure inactivation of hepatitis B virus when disinfecting tables, reusable instruments and aprons?

ANP.33650 Autopsy Facilities

Phase II

Appropriate facilities, equipment and instruments are available to meet safety policies and procedures.

NOTE: Containers must be available for contaminated waste and hazardous chemicals and policies must be in place for their disposal. Equipment and apparel must be available to provide protection to eyes, hands, and skin surfaces from direct and aerosolized exposures during autopsy performance. Procedures must be in place for the disposition or cleaning of these items for re-use upon completion of the autopsy.

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ANP.34000 Safety - Autopsy

Phase II



There is appropriate signage at entries to the autopsy laboratory warning of the potential presence of hazardous chemicals and biologic materials, and the need for standard precautions. Policies and procedures for contaminated cases/specimens, hazardous chemicals, etc. are posted in the autopsy suite.

NOTE: It is important that persons entering the autopsy laboratory be aware of potential hazards and take appropriate protective measures. Postings may include information such as details of personal protective equipment and emergency contact information.

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ANP.34050 Decontamination

Phase II



Instructions for cleaning after an autopsy, proper handling of highly infectious cases, and disposal of tissues are available.