

BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS**OPS.506**

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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that ODCHC employees are fully informed about the hazards of bloodborne pathogens and to ensure that all necessary precautions are taken, in all aspects of clinical operations, to prevent the transmission of bloodborne infections.

POLICY:

1. It is the policy of ODCHC to comply with OSHA standards regarding bloodborne pathogens and control of exposure to bloodborne pathogens. To this end, ODCHC has adopted as its standard the currently Bloodborne Pathogens Policy and Exposure Control Plan approved by OSHA. A complete copy of that policy and plan is included here as an attachment.
2. The Nurse Coordinator of each ODCHC clinic is charged with the responsibility for implementing the Bloodborne Pathogens Policy and Exposure Control Plan. Questions or comments regarding the policy should be directed to the Operations Officer.
3. Control of exposure to and transmission of bloodborne infection is considered part of larger programs to prevent employee injury and illness and to ensure infection control. Refer to OPS.503 for the complete Illness and Injury Prevention policy and OPS.505 for the Infection Control policy.

*Attachments:**Bloodborne Pathogens Policy, May 2003**Exposure Control Plan Guiding Document, January 2002**Exposure Control Plan, July 2000**Additional References:**OPS.503 Illness and Injury Prevention**OPS.505 Infection Control*

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