

Infection Control

The Bloodborne Pathogen Standard addresses infection control from potentially infectious body fluids Standard was published March 6, 1992.

Although the focus is on HBV, HCV & HIV any infectious disease that can be transmitted from patient to HCW comes under this standard.

Each practice has unique problems!

Complying with the BPS

Assign responsibility

Determine exposure risk of each employee

- job classification
 - 3 classifications/categories

Identify exposure hazards

- tasks with risk

Have a written “exposure control plan”

- document annually review

Have copy of the standard available

- reference guide

Offer Hepatitis B vaccine

- to employees at risk
 - determined by job classification

Have a policy for post exposure

- reporting
- evaluation

Offer initial and annual safety training