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# **Bloodborne & Airborne Pathogens**

#### Overview

At the end of this course seeks to enforce safety standards for workplaces. The course is based on the Occupational Exposure to Bloodborne Pathogens Standard and was designed to eliminate or minimize employees' exposure to human blood and other potentially infectious materials (OPIM) in the workplace.

#### Objectives

At the end of this course the student shall be able to:

- a. Understand the standard and have a copy of it to keep onsite
- b. Train employees, offer refresher training
- c. Learn how to control the spread of TB, influenza and other airborne pathogens
- d. Create an exposure control plan
- e. Know what to do if an exposure occurs



n order to reduce or eliminate the hazards of occupational exposure to bloodborne pathogens, an employer must implement an exposure control plan for the worksite with details on employee protection measures. The plan must also describe how an employer will use a combination of engineering and work practice controls, ensure the use of personal protective clothing and equipment, provide training, medical surveillance, hepatitis B vaccinations, and signs.

#### **Course Content**

Some of the topics to be delivered include:

- a. Introduction to the Bloodborne Standard
- b. Bloodborne Pathogens
- c. Preventing infection from Bloodborne Pathogens
- d. Airborne Pathogens
- e. Creating an exposure control plan
- f. Incident Report forms
- g. Injury Logs
- h. Control forms

## **Entry Requirements**

This course is applicable to all employees who as part of their job may reasonably expect to be exposed to blood and OPIM that may contain pathogens. This includes but is not limited to: Airline mechanics, Animal handlers, Athletic trainers, Clinical technicans, Correctional officers, Custodians, Dentists and other dental workers, EMS Providers, Enginering staff, Firefighters, Healthcare workers, Housekeeping personnel, Hospice workers, Law Enforcement personnel, Morticians, Research technicians, Veterinarians.

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