Shawnee State University

POLICY TITLE: BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS

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1.0 PURPOSE

The University is dedicated to providing a safe workplace for employees and students. This policy ensures compliance with the Ohio Public Employees Risk Reduction Program (PERRP) and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulation, "Occupational Exposure to Bloodborne Pathogens; Final Rule" (29 CFR Part 1910.1030) and its amendments.

2.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2.1 The Office of Environmental Health & Safety (EHS) is responsible for the development and management of the University's Exposure Control Plan (ECP) that establishes the procedures for occupational exposure to human blood or other potentially infectious materials (OPIM).
- 2.2 The University Health Clinic has responsibility for providing medical evaluations, vaccinations and counseling to affected employees as provided in accordance with the current contractual obligations.
- 2.3 Department heads (deans, chairs, lab managers, supervisors, faculty, staff) are responsible to have a working knowledge of the Exposure Control Plan, to make those under their jurisdiction aware of the ECP and of their obligations to be in compliance with its provisions, and to take or cause appropriate actions in case of accidental exposure.
- 2.4 Lab users (students, lab coordinators, employees, etc.) have responsibility to be aware of and to adhere to lab safety rules and for minimizing their occupational exposure to human blood and OPIM.

3.0 PROCEDURES

The President will ensure the establishment of procedures to effectively implement this policy.

<u>History</u>

Effective: 06/18/1993 Revised: 07/11/2014

Reviewed: 12/19/2022 with minor revisions

Applicable Procedures: 5.21:1 Bloodborne Pathogens – Exposure Control Plan