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EXPOSURE DETERMINATION WORKSHEET

The purpose of this worksheet is to identify job classifications where incumbents are exposed to blood and/or other potentially infectious materials (OPIM). The exposure determination must be done without regard to the use of personal protective equipment.

Please complete and submit to your department for review. If you have questions or concerns, feel free to contact EH&S at 644-6895 or the BSO at 644-8916 or 644-5374 for assistance.

Employee profile information

Form with fields for First Name, Last Name, Date of Birth, Social Security Number, Gender (Male/Female), Position Title, and Position Description.

Department information

Form with fields for Department, Principal Investigator/Supervisor, Building, Room, and Campus phone.

General, healthcare, and emergency response questions

- Does the worker: Provide healthcare to individuals involving exposure to blood, or other potentially infectious materials (OPIM)? Handle sharp instruments used by individuals whose work involves human blood, OPIM, tissues or organs? Handle human blood or OPIM? Handle unfixed human tissue? Perform CPR and/or act as a designated first aid responder?

Questions for custodial, building service, housekeeping services, animal handlers, and glassware washers

- Does the worker: Enter areas where other individuals work with human blood, blood products, OPIM, tissues, organs, or with blood, blood products, OPIM, tissues, organs, of animals infected with HIV and/or HBV, carry or handle packed materials which may leak any of the above materials and/or where these materials may come into contact with the worker's skin? Enter areas where other individual workers work with human blood, blood products, OPIM, tissues, organs, or with blood, blood products, OPIM, tissues, organs, of animals infected with HIV and/or HBV, carry or handle packed materials that may contain sharp instruments used by these individuals? Clean up after an accident/injury where blood or other potentially infectious materials may be present? Carry or transport packets or boxes, which may leak blood or OPIM, or be punctured by sharp instruments that may come in contact with the employee skin?

Questions for laboratory personnel

- Does the worker: Handle human blood products such as serum, plasma, and/or cells? Handle purchased human blood products such as hemoglobin? Handle primary human cell lines? Handle HIV and/or HBV infected cells/tissues cultures and/or virus preparations? Handle animals infected with HIV and/or HBV, or work in areas where such animals are housed?

If the answer to any of the above questions is YES, then the employee is covered by the OSHA Standard.

