NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION
604

OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE TO BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS

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RESPONSIBILITY

All Medical Division staff and all Medical Officers are responsible for the compliance with this regulation.

604.01 BLOODBORNE PATHOGEN EXPOSURE CONTROL PLAN

1. The Department’s Medical Division will establish a comprehensive exposure to bloodborne pathogens control plan that complies with the State of Nevada Occupational Safety and Health Administration (NOSHA) as well as the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulatory standards. This plan should include:

   A. Compliance statement;
   B. Preparation date;
   C. Exposure determination;
   D. Methods of compliance;
   E. Engineering controls;
   F. Work practice controls;
   G. Personal protective equipment;
   H. Housekeeping procedures;
   I. Hepatitis B vaccine;
   J. Hazard communication;
K. Training; and

L. Record keeping;

604.02 IMPLEMENTATION:

1. The Department’s Medical Division, in coordination with the Employee Development staff, will provide annual training to all staff that is designated by job classification to have potential for exposure to blood borne pathogens.

2. Training for all employees within the Department’s defined job classifications shall be conducted prior to initial assignment to tasks where occupational exposure may occur.

3. OSHA mandated training will be integrated into the Department’s Pre-Service Training Programs (PST and NCB). These programs are:

   A. Correctional Employee/Officer Basic Training Program (PST); and

   B. Non-Custody Basic Orientation Training Program (NCB).

4. Inmates who have work assignments in medical areas where routine exposure may occur will also be trained.

5. Documentation will be maintained in the Department’s training records.

604.03 AUDIT

1. The Medical Division’s Infection Control Committee shall conduct an annual audit to ensure adherence to the Nevada Department of Corrections (NDOC) Exposure Control Plan.

2. The results of the audit will be submitted to the Medical Director.

604.04 ACCESS TO THE EXPOSURE CONTROL PLAN:

1. The Medical Division will provide access to all employees to the NDOC Exposure Control Plan on the Stewart shared drive.
APPLICABILITY

1. This regulation requires a Medical Directive for exposure to blood borne pathogens.

2. This regulation requires an audit.

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Medical Director                                Date

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Director                                      Date

1/14/16