

BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS PROCEDURE

1302.47 Safety practices.

(b) A program must develop and implement a system of management, including ongoing training, oversight, correction and continuous improvement in accordance with §1302.102, that includes policies and practices to ensure all facilities, equipment and materials, background checks, safety training, safety and hygiene practices and administrative safety procedures are adequate to ensure child safety. This system must ensure:

(6) *Hygiene practices.* All staff systematically and routinely implement hygiene practices that at a minimum ensure:

(i) Appropriate toileting, hand washing, and diapering procedures are followed;

(ii) Safe food preparation; and,

(iii) Exposure to blood and body fluids are handled consistent with standards of the Occupational Safety Health Administration.

(7) *Administrative safety procedures.* Programs establish, follow, and practice, as appropriate, procedures for, at a minimum:

(iii) Protection from contagious disease, including appropriate inclusion and exclusion policies for children when a child is ill, and from an infectious disease outbreak, including appropriate notifications for any reportable illness;

Exposure to Body Fluids: Prevention

1. Employees incur risk of infection and subsequent illness each time they are exposed to blood or other potentially infectious materials. An exposure incident means a specific eye, mouth, other mucous membrane, non-intact skin, or parenteral contact with blood or other potentially infectious materials that results from the performance of an employee's duties.
2. **UNIVERSAL PRECAUTIONS** shall be the standard of practice and are to be used by all employees and volunteers.
3. Staff will follow the policies in accordance with Olympic ESD 114 Infection Control Program: Bloodborne Pathogens.
4. **PREVENTING INFECTIONS WHEN CONTACTING BODY FLUIDS:**
All blood and body fluids will be considered capable of causing illness
 - Potentially infectious human body fluids are blood, semen, vaginal secretions, cerebrospinal fluid, synovial fluid, pleural fluid, pericardial fluid, peritoneal fluid, amniotic fluid, saliva in dental procedures, any body fluid that is visibly contaminated with blood, and all body fluids in situations where it is difficult or impossible to differentiate between body fluids.

- There are many diseases which can be spread through direct contact with body fluids.
5. To protect children and staff, the guidelines below are followed when anyone is at risk for being or has been in contact with body fluids:
- Any open cuts or sores on children or staff will be kept covered. Depending on the type of wound the covering may be a bandage, clothing or, for staff, gloves.
 - Whenever a child or staff come into contact with any body fluids, the area will be washed immediately with soap and warm water and dried with paper towels.
 - All surfaces in contact with body fluids will be cleaned immediately and the area will be disinfected with a proper disinfecting agent per Disinfecting With Sanitizing and Bleach Guidelines.
 - Cleaning material used to wipe up body fluids will be put in a plastic bag, secured with a tie, and placed in a covered waste container. Any brushes, brooms, dustpans, mops, etc. used to clean-up body fluids will be soaked in a disinfecting solution, and rinsed thoroughly. Cloth items or mops, after soaking, should be washed with hot water in a washing machine. All items are hung off the floor or ground to dry. Equipment used for cleaning is stored safely out of the reach of children.
 - Children's clothes soiled with body fluids will be put into a plastic bag, stored away from children and sent home at the end of the day. A change of clothing will be available for children in care.
 - All clothing soiled with body fluids will be changed promptly. Staff working with infants or toddlers are advised to have a fresh change of clothes at the center. All soiled laundry will be kept out of reach of children.
 - Non-porous gloves will be worn by staff when they are in contact with spills of blood or other visibly bloody bodily fluids.