

### **Universal Precautions and Work Practice Controls**

1. The following precautions and work practice controls is mandated for all employees.
2. Any student or employee with an open sore or lesion must have it covered at all times.
3. Each classroom is equipped with a Body Fluid Pickup Kit containing disposable gloves, disinfectant wipes, antiseptic wipes, plastic waste bags, and absorbent compound to clean up body fluids.
4. Disposable gloves are obtained from the SPEED school nurse.
5. A used Body Fluid Pickup Kit must be returned to the SPEED maintenance department to be refilled.
6. Employees must wear single use disposable gloves when any direct contact with blood or other body fluids may occur.
7. All used disposable gloves and other contaminated materials should be placed in plastic bags, sealed, and disposed of properly.
8. Soiled student clothing should be placed in a plastic bag, sealed, labeled, and sent home with the student.
9. Hands should be washed with soap and water after contact with blood or other body fluids even when gloves are worn.
10. Objects placed in an individual's mouth must be washed with detergent disinfectant.
11. Contaminated areas or surfaces must be decontaminated as soon as possible with a detergent disinfectant.
12. All body fluids should be treated as infectious.

### **Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Control**

All staff will follow the SPEED Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Control Plan. The plan describes the methods (Universal Precautions and Work Practice Controls) that will be used to reduce exposure to and transmission of infectious diseases.

All staff will be inserviced on Bloodborne Pathogens and will be given the choice to receive the initial Hepatitis B immunization series at no expense to the employee.

### **Collection and Transport of Potentially Infectious Regulated Waste from Satellite Classroom and Program Sites**

1. Safety precautions will be used by all personnel when handling potentially infectious regulated waste to reduce the likelihood of exposure. Gloves are to be worn by personnel during the collection and transport of all potentially infectious waste.
2. Potentially infectious waste will be double bagged and sealed with a biohazard sticker if needed (see definition of regulated waste).
3. Containers for disposal of contaminated sharps (ie. needles) will be available from the SPEED school nurse.

4. SPEED maintenance is to be called for pick up of potentially infectious regulated waste materials. The regulated waste will be picked up from satellite classroom sites and the SPEED school nurses offices upon request. Red biohazard plastic waste cans and plastic bags are located in the SPEED nurses offices.
5. Maintenance will transport any potentially infectious regulated waste to the SPEED administration building in a covered plastic container. The waste will be placed into a red biohazard container located at the SPEED administration building until pick up by a certified infectious waste hauler. The SPEED Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds will contact the certified infectious waste hauler facility for the biohazard pick up.

The definition of potentially infectious regulated waste is provided by the ISBE document: OSHA Rules on Bloodborne Pathogens, February 5, 1993.

**Regulated waste** means liquid or semi-liquid blood or other potentially infectious materials; contaminated items that could release blood or other potentially infectious materials in a liquid or semi-liquid state if compressed; items that are caked with dried blood or other potentially infectious materials and are capable of releasing these materials during handling.

**Potentially infectious materials** means the following human body fluids: semen, vaginal secretions, cerebrospinal 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.