

Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens and the Plan for Immunologic Protection

(In accordance with Policy GAMAA)

Employees who meet the definition (see "Definition" below) for possible frequent exposure to blood and other potentially infectious materials in the performance of their regular duties shall complete the worksheet entitled, **Hepatitis B Occupational Risk Worksheet: Guidelines for School Employees** (Exhibit GAMAA), available from the school nurse. This worksheet shall be submitted to the school nurse for review, evaluation, and recommendations.

Plan for Immunological Protection:

For employees whose exposure to blood is frequent, the School District shall offer Hepatitis B vaccine* at no cost to the employee. For employees whose exposure to blood is infrequent, timely post-exposure prophylaxis will be provided at a medical facility at the School District's expense should the employee's health insurance not provide coverage.

If the employee declines Hepatitis B vaccine where exposure to blood is frequent, the employee shall sign a statement at the end of Exhibit A accepting the potential risk.

Definition:

Employees with frequent exposure to blood and other potentially infectious materials in the performance of their regular duties include, but are not limited to:

- Σ School nurse
- Σ Teachers and educational assistants of students who have serious medical or behavioral conditions and require care that increases the risk of exposure to blood or serous secretions
- Σ First aid providers, which could include physical education teachers, coaches, and trainers
- Σ Custodial and other personnel who clean and dispose of bloody wastes from classrooms, first aid rooms, and other areas in which such wastes are likely to occur
- Employees who are exposed to bloodborne pathogens more than 6 times per year and whose evaluation of risk (Hepatitis B. Occupational Risk Worksheet: Guidelines for School Employees) by the school nurse indicates "frequent exposure."

* (Benefits and risks of vaccine)

