

Blood borne Pathogens Protocol

Athletic training students will be formally educated regarding blood borne pathogens and bio-hazardous materials each year.

Level I – observation students – athletic training students enrolled in the care and prevention of athletic injuries lab course will be trained at the beginning of the semester.

Level II – pre-professional students and Level III professional students – athletic training students enrolled in clinical experience I and clinical experience II will be trained at the beginning of the experience.

Formal training sessions will consist of the following components:

- Definition of blood borne pathogens terminology
- Pathology and transmission of communicable diseases
- Prevention strategies
- Identification of biohazard tools (sharps containers, biohazard bags, etc)
- Universal precautions (gloves, goggles, etc)
- Prevention strategies
- Treatment options
- OSHAA/OSHA/NCAA rules regarding blood borne pathogens
- Skill practice

All documentation regarding completion of blood borne pathogens training will be kept on file with the Program Director.

Clinical Site Procedure for Blood Borne Pathogens

Athletic training students will be provided an overview of the blood borne pathogen protocol. Each ACI will review with the ATS the clinical affiliate site procedure for management of blood borne pathogens.

The review will consist of the following components:

- The location of PPE
- The location of all biohazard materials containers (sharps containers, biohazard bags etc)
- The procedure for biohazard waste removal
- The procedure for a blood borne pathogen incident
- The location of forms for documentation of a blood borne pathogen incident
- The follow-up procedure for a blood borne pathogen incident