



STEPing toward safety compliance!

FIRST AID PROVIDER TRAINING

In the event of an accident, medical care must be readily available. In most circumstances, medical care can be accessed by calling 911 or some other emergency phone number which should be posted at the job site. However, if emergency medical care is not readily available, an employee, certified as having received first aid training, may be assigned as our first aid provider as an additional duty. If we are using a first aid provider, all persons must know how to access him immediately.

A first aid provider must fall within the provisions of a written exposure control plan which requires the provider be trained by a trainer knowledgeable in the subject matter covered by the elements in the training program as it relates to the workplace that addresses:

- A. ready access to the regulatory text, 29 CFR 1910.1030, *Bloodborne Pathogens*.
- B. the epidemiology and symptoms of bloodborne diseases.
- C. modes of transmission of bloodborne pathogens.
- D. ready access and understanding of the company exposure control plan.
- E. tasks and other activities that may involve exposure to blood and other potentially infectious materials.
- F. the use and limitations of methods that will prevent or reduce exposure including appropriate engineering controls, work practices, and personal protective equipment.
- G. information on the types, proper use, location, removal, handling, decontamination and disposal of personal protective equipment.
- H. the basis for selection of personal protective equipment.
- I. hepatitis B vaccine, including information on its efficacy, safety, method of administration, the benefits of being vaccinated, and that the vaccine and vaccination will be offered free of charge.
- J. appropriate actions to take and persons to contact in an emergency involving blood or other potentially infectious materials.
- K. the procedure to follow if an exposure incident occurs, including the method of reporting the incident and the medical follow-up that will be made available.
- L. the post-exposure evaluation and follow-up that the employer is required to provide for the employee following an exposure incident.
- M. the signs and labels and/or color coding requirements; and an opportunity for interactive questions and answers with the person conducting the training session. By understanding the depth of training required of first aid providers, you should understand how important it is that **you do not** provide emergency first aid treatment unless you are assigned to do so as a certified first aid provider.