

**OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE TO BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS**

It is the policy of the Litchfield Board of Education, to take all necessary actions to protect its employees from infectious disease, and in particular, HIV and Hepatitis B Virus, life threatening bloodborne pathogens. The Board has developed and will implement exposure control procedures to protect at risk employees.

The Board will further provide training and protective equipment to those persons who, by virtue of the performance of job duties, are at risk to come in contact with infectious disease. Finally, all at-risk employees of the Board, as defined in the procedures, will be offered the vaccine for Hepatitis B Virus, a life threatening bloodborne pathogen.

Training, needed protective equipment and vaccination, as provided in the procedures, will be at no cost to the personnel and are provided as a precaution for personnel safety.

Legal Reference: 29 CFR Part 1910.1030 Occupational Exposure to Bloodborne Pathogens  
CT State Agencies Regulations § 31-372-101-1910.1030  
Conn. Gen. Stat. § 31-372 Adoption of federal and state standards.