

Hepatitis B Vaccination

OSHA requires employers to perform an exposure determination that lists all job classifications in which employees may be expected to incur occupational exposure to blood or other potentially infectious materials. The following job classifications are in this category:

- Coaches
- Custodians
- Dental Hygienists/Dental Hygiene Educators
- Special Educators & Substitutes
- Technical Center Educators and Para-educators
- Locations without full-time health services
- Recreation & Rink Employees
- School Nurses & Health Care Assistants
- Security Personnel
- Special Education Teaching Assistants & Substitutes
- Physical Education Teachers
- Plumbers
- Principals & Assistant Principals

If your occupation is one of those listed as having an occupational exposure to blood or other bodily fluids; you are entitled to receive the Hepatitis B vaccination regimen at the expense of the district. The Hepatitis B Vaccination entails a series of three shots (as will be explained in the required training session): The first two are one month apart, the third is five months later. A **Hepatitis B Vaccine: Fact Sheet** has been attached for your convenience.

If your occupation is one of those listed above, you must complete either a Hepatitis B Vaccination Consent Form or Declination Statement. A Hepatitis B Vaccination **Consent Form** must be completed before you can participate in the shots. The **Declination Statement** must be completed if you choose not to participate in the shots, or if you have previously completed the Hepatitis B Vaccination Series. The **Consent Form** and **Declination Statement** have been attached for your convenience.

We are not able to provide you with medical advice on your receiving or not receiving this regimen. You may decline now and change your mind later, or you may begin the regimen and then decline to complete it. Such is your choice. However, the federal standard compels us to maintain a record of your choice in this matter, hence the need for you to inform us in writing of your decision.

Eligible employees who have completed a **Consent Form** and are interested in obtaining the Hepatitis B Vaccination series, may do so directly through Concentra Medical Center located at 110 Kimball Avenue, Suite 115 in South Burlington. Please call them for an appointment at (802) 658-5756. You must bring an **Authorization for Third Party Billing** with you if you wish to have them bill us directly for the services. Please call 879-5584 for the proper authorization form.

For more information, please refer to Policy GBE-R: Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Control Plan, which is now available on the CCSU website at www.ccsuvt.org.

Thank you for your interest in this occupational health issue.

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