

POLICY

All residential juvenile justice facility staff must be trained in the bloodborne pathogen standard so that they are aware of and practice universal precautions appropriate for situations that may occur at their worksite.

PURPOSE

To increase awareness and reduce the risks of exposure to a communicable disease.

DEFINITIONS

See JRG, JJ Residential Glossary.

**RESPONSIBLE
STAFF**

Facility director, supervisors, health care, maintenance, and direct care staff.

PROCEDURE

Each facility must develop and implement a written procedure regarding training in the bloodborne pathogen standard and the practice of universal precautions. At a minimum, the procedure must contain the following requirements:

**Universal
Precautions
Requirements**

Staff must use universal precautions when handling blood or other body fluids including:

- Gloves and double gloving when risk of contamination is present.
- Puncture proof containers for needle disposal.
- Disposable or autoclavable dental and surgical instruments.
- Blood spills and other body fluids cleaned with bleach in a 1:10 solution.
- Linen/clothing washed in hot water with detergent.

- Washing hands thoroughly with hot soap and water in case of any contact with body fluid.

Each facility must designate a staff member to ensure that each living unit is furnished with:

- Boxes of gloves.
- Gowns.
- Goggles.
- Pocket masks.

Transport Vehicles

Any vehicle used to transport youth must be equipped with a first aid kit that includes gloves and a pocket mask. Kits must be inspected regularly.

Medical Waste Disposal

Medical waste and contaminants must be disposed of in approved containers or receptacles.

A licensed medical waste hauler must be utilized for the removal of medical waste from each facility.

Training

In accordance with JR1 170, Staff Development and Training, staff must receive initial training in the bloodborne pathogen standard including the use of universal precautions. Staff must also receive annual bloodborne pathogen refresher training. The training must be documented.

AUTHORITY

Social Welfare Act, 1939 PA 280, as amended, MCL 400.115a(1)(l)
29 CFR 1910.1030, Bloodborne Pathogens