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OSHA Standard Related to Healthcare

29 CFR 1910.1030 - Bloodborne Pathogens

Universal Precautions is an approach to infection control. According to the concept of Universal Precautions, all human blood and certain body fluids are treated as if known to be infectious for HIV, HBV and other bloodborne pathogens.

Five Steps to Efficiently Contain and Remove a Bloodborne Pathogens Spill with the Safetec® Universal Precaution Kit*

*All personnel must be trained in the use of the spill kit before any cleanup process is performed

- **1. PREVENT** to prevent direct contact with the spill during the cleanup process and minimize the risk for infection, disposable protective clothing must be worn. This includes *gloves*, *combo mask/safety shield and protective apron*.
- **2. CONTAIN & REMOVE** to efficiently contain and remove the spill, a *solidifying agent* (Safetec® Red Z®) and *scoop/scraper* are to be used and the spill contents are to be disposed in a *red biohazard bag*.
- **3. DISINFECT** to properly disinfect the contaminated surface area, use the surface disinfectant wipe (SaniZide Pro 1®). (This process is critical for preventing any further contamination)
- **4. DISPOSE** discard the germicidal wipe, gloves, safety shield and apron into *red biohazard bag* and dispose of bag as required by your local, state and federal regulations.
- **5. SANITIZE** use the *p.a.w.s* * *wipe* to sanitize hands and use soap and water after immediate cleanup is done



To help remember the steps, think of the acronym **PCRDDS**.

Helpful Tips to Remain OSHA Compliant

- · Think safety culture not just compliance
- · Compliance is the key to prevention
- · Do not guess the information or make assumptions
- Plan for an inspection ahead of time (Do not be in a position of figuring it out as you go)

*For more information about OSHA and helpful tips, visit https://safetec.com/compliance/osha-compliance/

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