

CDC GUIDANCE FOR HEPATITIS B VIRUS PROTECTION FOR HEALTHCARE PERSONNEL

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TARGET AUDIENCE: Physicians, Registered Nurses, Laboratorians, Medical Assistants, Physician Assistants, Public Health Professionals, Health care workers, health educators

PREREQUISITES: Knowledge of Hepatitis B

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: The goal of this report is to emphasize the importance of ensuring HepB vaccination for all healthcare personnel (HCP), to provide directions for evaluating hepatitis B protection among previously vaccinated HCP, and to update postexposure assessment and management of HCP exposed to blood or body fluids

OBJECTIVES:

1. Describe preexposure and postexposure approaches for ensuring hepatitis B protection among HCP, including recommendations for testing the HCP (and source patient, if applicable), interpretation of test results, and management based on test results

2. Describe the changing epidemiology of acute and chronic HBV infections in the United States
3. Describe the risk for occupational blood or body fluid exposures among HCP since introduction of engineering and work practice controls and the Needlestick Safety and Prevention Act of 2001
4. Describe current knowledge regarding duration of HepB vaccine protection and waning anti-HBs after vaccination
5. Describe cost-effectiveness of preexposure and postexposure approaches for ensuring hepatitis B protection among HCP

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