

Licking County Board of Developmental Disabilities
Administrative Policy Manual

Policy: Exposure Control

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POLICY

The Licking County Board of Developmental Disabilities, hereafter referred to as the Board, recognizes that staff working directly with eligible persons may be at an increased risk of exposure to communicable diseases. It is the Board's intention to provide or arrange for training; personal protective equipment as needed; and the development of prevention strategies aimed at minimizing the spread of communicable diseases.

The Board expects staff to use universal precautions as the first line of defense in preventing the spread of communicable diseases, including bloodborne pathogens. Staff are responsible for using good hygiene practices and universal precautions. The Board's exposure control procedures for bloodborne pathogens, developed in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.1030, will be implemented whenever staff are potentially exposed to blood or other bodily fluids. Staff are responsible for teaching, training, and supporting the people supported by the Board to use sound hygiene practices.

The Board's Confidentiality of Person-Specific Information Policy is applicable to any medical information belonging to persons who are Board eligible.

Procedures for exposure control and the management of communicable diseases will be developed and periodically updated to comply with applicable rules and regulations including the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the Ohio Public Employment Risk Reduction Advisory Commission, and policies of the Ohio Department of Health and the Licking County Health Departments.