

Notice On Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure

As dental hygienists in the workplace, you are potentially exposed to three of the most common bloodborne pathogens. They are human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), hepatitis B virus (HBV), and hepatitis C virus (HCV). Dental hygienists are at risk of exposure through needlesticks and other sharps-related injuries in the clinical setting. In the dental hygiene program at BCCC, students and faculty are made aware of ways to greatly reduce the risk of exposure to bloodborne pathogens in clinical courses and by attending mandatory OSHA presentation on this topic every year.