Exposure Control for Blood Borne Pathogens

The District has determined that the following job classifications and responsibilities include employees with potential occupational exposure:

- Dental Assisting Instructors and Department Director
- Nursing Instructors and Department Director
- Medical Assisting Instructors
- Health Center Nurse and Assistants
- Physical Education Instructors and Coaches and Department Director
- Children's Center Director and Instructors
- Maintenance Custodians and Plumbers
- Police Chief, Sergeant and Officers

On December, 1991, CAL/OSHA issued a regulation on occupational exposure to blood-borne pathogens, and determined that certain employees face a significant health risk as a result of occupational exposure to blood and other potential infectious materials because they may contain blood-borne pathogens. These pathogens include: HBV, which causes hepatitis B, a serious liver disease, and HIV, which causes Acquired Immune-Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS). A flex activity workshop has been designed to provide the required training for those employees with a potential work-related exposure to blood-borne pathogens. If you are one of the designated categories of employees listed above, please check your Flex Activity booklet to enroll in this required course, or contact the Chief of Police at Ext. 7467 for a small group workshop.