



Healthcare OSHA Resources

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OSHA's Healthcare Safety & Health topics page: <http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/healthcarefacilities/index.html>

- [Culture of Safety](#)
- [Infectious Diseases](#)
- [Safe Patient Handling](#)
- [Workplace Violence](#)
- [Other Hazards](#)
- [Standards/Enforcement](#)

In the highlights section on the page, please notice the link to the [OSHA's Hospital eTool](#):

<http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/etools/hospital/index.html>

This eTool focuses on some of the hazards and controls found in the hospital/healthcare setting, and describes standard requirements as well as recommended safe work practices for employee safety and health.

Infection Control beyond Universal Precautions

https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/bloodbornepathogens/worker_protections.html

Clinician Page

<https://www.osha.gov/dts/oom/clinicians/index.html>

Disinfectants <https://www.osha.gov/html/faq-bbp.html>

<http://www.epa.gov/oppad001/chemregindex.htm>

Selected EPA-registered Disinfectants

List E: [List E: EPA's Registered Antimicrobial Products Effective Against Mycobacterium tuberculosis, Human HIV-1 and Hepatitis B Virus | Pesticide Registration | US EPA](#)

OSHA Temporary Worker initiative: http://www.osha.gov/temp_workers/index.html

(if employed through a staffing agency, but report to another location for work).

[Temporary Worker Initiative Bulletin No. 6 – Bloodborne Pathogens](#) - <https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3888.pdf>

OSHA Recordkeeping requirements – expanded to include required reporting a work-related fatality within 8 hours, employers must report all in-patient hospitalizations, amputations and loss of an eye to OSHA within 24 hours. For more information, visit <https://www.osha.gov/report.html>. Online reporting page: <https://www.osha.gov/pls/ser/serform.html>
HIPAA and OSHA - HIPAA stands for the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191. The HIPAA privacy regulation requires “covered entities” to protect the privacy of individuals’ health information. <https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA-factsheet-HIPPA-whistle.pdf>

The Injury Tracking Application (ITA) is accessible from the [ITA launch page](#), where you can provide the Agency your 2017 OSHA Form 300A information. The date by which **certain** employers are required to submit to OSHA the information from their completed 2017 Form 300A is July 1, 2018.

Online Injury Tracking Application – <https://www.osha.gov/injuryreporting/ita/>

More information on the recordkeeping rules and forms:

<https://www.osha.gov/recordkeeping/RKforms.html>



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OSHA's Hazard Communication Safety & Health Topics Page:

- <https://www.osha.gov/dsg/hazcom/>
- OSHA QuickCards/Fact Sheets/[Brief](#)
- Safety Data Sheets, Labels, Pictograms
- [Comparison of NFPA 704 & HCS 2012 labels](#)
- [Small Entity Compliance Guide](#)
 - <http://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3695.pdf>
Appendix A - Sample Program format (starts on page 30)

Emergency Preparedness And Planning <https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/emergencypreparedness/index.html>

Emergency Evacuation Plans and Emergency Exits - <https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/etools/evacuation/egress.html>

Pandemic Flu resources - <https://www.osha.gov/pls/publications/publication.AthruZ?pType=AthruZ#P>

Other language Publications - <https://www.osha.gov/pls/publications/publication.athruz?pType=Types&pID=11>

[Compliance Assistance Quick Start – HealthCare Industry](#)

https://www.osha.gov/dcsp/compliance_assistance/quickstarts/health_care/index.html

Addressing and Preventing [Workplace Violence](#)

From the <http://www.osha.gov/dsg/hospitals/index.html>

Direct Link: https://www.osha.gov/dsg/hospitals/workplace_violence.html

Joint Commission Page Workplace Violence Page:

https://www.jointcommission.org/workplace_violence.aspx

Walking Working Surfaces - <https://www.osha.gov/walking-working-surfaces/>

Fact Sheet - <https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3903.pdf>

Ladder Safety - <https://www.osha.gov/Publications/osha3124.pdf>

Other Agency's Resources **Healthcare Workers**

Healthcare – <https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/healthcare/default.html>

NIOSH Home Healthcare

<https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/healthcare/homehealthcare.html>

Assessing the Fall Risk in Homes – free checklist

http://www.brightstarcare.com/blog/wp-content/uploads/2013/05/Falls_HomeSafetyChecklist_general.pdf

Hand Washing Poster reminders

<http://www.health.state.mn.us/handhygiene/wash/fsgermbuster.html>

http://www.cdc.gov/HandHygiene/download/Hand_Hygiene_poster.pdf

<http://www.who.int/gpsc/5may/background/5moments/en/>

http://www.who.int/gpsc/country_work/hhsa_framework_October_2010.pdf?ua=1



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<http://www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns/protect-patients/>

Covering your cough <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/protect/covercough.htm>

Communication Resources <https://www.cdc.gov/flu/resource-center/index.htm>

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/protect/stopgerms.htm>

<http://www.cdc.gov/non-polio-enterovirus/about/ev68-infographic.html>

Improving Patient and Worker Safety <https://www.jointcommission.org/assets/1/18/TJC-ImprovingPatientAndWorkerSafety-Monograph.pdf>

City of Philadelphia – Everyone Ready for Emergency

<http://www.phila.gov/health/DiseaseControl/everybodyready.html>

http://www.phila.gov/health/diseasecontrol/pdfs/ER3HandbookScrollableVersion_4_8_16.pdf

[Stanford Sharps Doodle https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mpm_7pNn5GM&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mpm_7pNn5GM&feature=youtu.be)

OSHA Newsletter subscription <http://www.osha.gov/as/opa/quicktakes/subscribe.html>

How can OSHA help stakeholders?

Workers have a right to a safe workplace. If you think your job is unsafe or you have questions, contact OSHA at 1-800-321-OSHA (6742). It's confidential. We can help. For other valuable worker protection information, such as Workers' Rights, Employer Responsibilities and other services OSHA offers, visit [OSHA's Workers' page](#).

OSHA also provides help to employers. OSHA's [On-site Consultation Program](#) offers free and confidential advice to small and medium-sized businesses in all states across the country, with priority given to high-hazard worksites. For more information or for additional compliance assistance contact OSHA at 1-800-321-OSHA (6742).

[Indiana University of Pennsylvania](#)

<http://www.iup.edu/pa-oshaconsultation>

[OSHA Safety Pays Program](#)

<https://www.osha.gov/dcsp/smallbusiness/safetypays/estimator.html>



This resource sheet has been developed by an OSHA Compliance Assistance Specialist and is intended to assist employers, workers, and others as they strive to improve workplace health and safety. While we attempt to thoroughly address specific topics, it is not possible to include discussion of everything necessary to ensure a healthy and safe working environment in an information sheet of this nature. Thus, this information must be understood as a tool for addressing workplace hazards, rather than an exhaustive statement of an employer's legal obligations, which are defined by statute, regulations, and standards. Likewise, to the extent that this information references practices or procedures that may enhance health or safety, but which are not required by a statute, regulation, or standard, it cannot, and does not, create additional legal obligations. Finally, over time, OSHA may modify rules and interpretations in light of new technology, information, or circumstances; to keep apprised of such developments, or to review information on a wide range of occupational safety and health topics, you can visit OSHA's website at www.osha.gov. January, 2018