GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR EXPOSURE CONTROL

These guidelines and procedures should be followed by staff members to minimize or eliminate transmission of infectious disease.

HANDWASHING - Handwashing is a very important procedure for preventing transmission of infectious organisms. Proper handwashing procedures follow:

- 1. Use soap and warm running water. Soap suspends easily removable soil and microorganisms, allowing them to be washed off. Dispenser-style liquid soap is recommended.
- 2. Wet hands thoroughly under warm running water and dispense soap into wet hands.
- 3. Rub and scrub hands together for approximately 15 seconds to work up a lather.
- 4. Scrub knuckles, back of hands, nails and between fingers.
- 5. Rinse hands under warm running water. Running water is necessary to carry away debris and dirt.
- 6. Use paper towels to thoroughly dry hands.
- 7. After drying hands, use the towel to turn off the faucet.
- 8. Discard paper towels into appropriate plastic lined waste receptacle.
- 9. Allow sufficient time for handwashing:
 - a. after using the toilet.
 - b. before meals, snacks and preparing food.
 - c. after handling soiled garments, menstrual pads, soiled diapers.
 - d. after blowing nose.
 - e. after touching potentially

Absorbent paper towel - (1) Alcohol/antibacterial towelettes - vacuum or sweep up material. Discard material in a sealable plastic bag.

c. Disinfect area with an EPA-approved disinfectant* according to manufacturer's