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Section 1 – Laws Applicable to Infection Control

- Infectious Diseases and Circumstances Relevant to Notification of Emergency Response Employees
- Ryan White CARE Act, 42 USC 300ff et seq, Part G – Notification of Possible Exposure to Infectious Diseases
- Infectious Diseases and Circumstances Relevant to Notification of Emergency Response Employees
- Summary of the HIPAA Privacy Rule
- Breach Notification Rule
- COVID-19 and HIPAA: Disclosures to law enforcement, paramedics, other first responders and public health authorities
- November 2014 Bulletin: HIPAA Privacy in Emergency Situations
- September 2013 HIPAA Guide for Law Enforcement
- OCR Issues Guidance to Help Ensure First Responders and Others Receive Protected Health Information about Individuals Exposed to COVID-19
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- Needlestick Safety and Prevention Act and the requirement to include safety-engineered sharps devices in pre-packaged surgical kits and trays (February 20, 2003).



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- Re-use of blood-tube holders (June 12, 2002).

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- Geographic Distribution of Chronic Hepatitis B virus (HBV) Infection
- Prevention of Hepatitis B Virus Infection in the United States: Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices
- Use of Hepatitis B Vaccination for Adults with Diabetes Mellitus: Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP)
- Updated CDC Recommendations for the Management of Hepatitis B Virus–Infected Health-Care Providers and Students
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