Each year, the CHP is updated to reflect the most recent chemical safety information and policies. The updates ensure that the plan continues to serve as a valuable resource to the NIH laboratory research community.

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This year’s updates include:

- New content:
  - New definitions added in the Glossary of Terms (Appendix F) for:
    - Antineoplastic
    - Antineoplastic antibiotic
    - Cytotoxic agent
    - Hazardous drug
  - Appendix B – Guidance for Identifying Particularly Hazards Substances
    - Revised language to incorporate newly added terms
  - New Program Evaluation and Improvement template added as Appendix L
    (see description below in Enhancements section)

- New links:
  - Section V – TOXNET
  - Section IX – DOHS Webpage on Respiratory Protection
  - Section XIV – NIOSH List of Antineoplastic and Other Hazardous Drugs in Healthcare Settings, 2016

- Enhancements:
  - Appendix G – Hazardous Material Spill Procedure – Revised ‘Spill Control Equipment’ section
  - Appendix L – Program Evaluation and Improvement – This template will ensure each annual review of the CHP is comprehensive in nature, following the guidance provided by OSHA for occupational safety and health programs. It contains both a quick visual qualitative feature using checkmarks to determine whether requirements are fully implemented or not, as well as space to document evidence of implementation and/or planned improvements. Each year, the template will be filled out by DOHS and kept internally to reference.
  - Throughout Document:
    - Updated hyperlinks
    - Improved navigation through use of bookmarks to readily jump to referenced appendixes or to the table of contents