

What's New?

Updates to the 2019 NIH Chemical Hygiene Plan

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.

[THE FULL PLAN IS AVAILABLE ONLINE](#)

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 Hazardous 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