Laboratory-Related Services

These DOHS programs promote safety and good health in laboratory settings:

- Laboratory Safety Training
- Annual Safety Surveys
- Bloodborne Pathogens / HIV Training
- Biological Safety Cabinet Testing & Procurement
- Chemical Fume Hood Testing
- Laboratory Clearance
  - Prior to Renovation or Relocation
- Laser Safety
- Respiratory Protection
- Animal Protocol Safety Review (ASP)
- Formaldehyde and Other Chemical Surveillance
- Biosafety in Level 3 Laboratories
- Student Laboratory Safety Training:
  Safe Techniques Advance Research Science (S.T.A.R.S.)

Biological Compliance

Specialists are available to answer questions and provide guidance related to:

- Recombinant DNA Registration (rDNA)
- Human Pathogen Registration (HPRD)
- Select Agent Program
- Safe Laboratory Practices and Procedures
- Biosafety, Biosecurity and Biosurety
- Quarantine Permit
- Service Office (QPSO)

Employee Health and Safety Programs

These DOHS programs promote health and safety in the NIH community:

- Ergonomics
- Work-Related Injury and Illness Investigation
- Asbestos Management
- Food and Water Safety
- Indoor Air Quality Assessments
- Safety Shoe Program
- Integrated Pest Management Services
  - Report pest problems: (301) 496-4294
- Automated External Defibrillators (AED)
- Blood Pressure Monitoring Stations
- Nursing Mothers Program
- Workplace Safety Surveys

Employee Rights and Responsibilities

All NIH employees have the right to work in a safe and healthy workplace.

Federal Employees have additional rights under the law:

- To report unsafe or unhealthy working conditions and to request safety and health inspections without fear of reprisal
- To access safety procedures and records
- To be allowed the time to participate in safety programs

NIH Employees have the responsibility to:

- Comply with safety regulations and orders
- Report work-related accidents and injuries to their supervisors or DOHS
- Use protective equipment provided by employer

Occupational Medical Service (OMS)

The OMS provides employees with many health services, including:

- CPR Training
- Employee Assistance Program (EAP)
- Consultation services
- Flu Vaccine Program
- Mandatory Reporting of Work-Related Injuries
- Occupational Medical Clinics
  - Building 10, Room 6C306
  - Building 13, Room G904
- Medical Surveillance Programs
- Travel Vaccinations
- Triage and Surveillance for Work-Related Injuries
- Worker’s Compensation & Assistance

For Information on All of Our Programs and Services Visit:

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Or Call: (301) 496-2960

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Note from the Director

The Division of Occupational Health and Safety (DOHS) works with NIH employees to ensure a safe and healthy workplace. Through surveillance, consultation, training and education, DOHS develops and implements NIH-wide safety and health programs. DOHS assesses worksites and procedures then initiates the appropriate preventive measures to help NIH employees avoid work-related injuries and illnesses. Workplace reviews are conducted to evaluate compliance with NIH occupational safety and health policies and procedures. Publications, training opportunities and additional information regarding DOHS branches and programs are available on our website. Additional information can be provided by your safety and health specialist. I encourage you to visit the DOHS website and use it as an information resource for your safety and health needs.

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