Bloodborne Pathogens Training Program (ID 203)

THE NEED
Bloodborne Pathogens Training Program (ID 203) is designed to educate healthcare workers about how to safely care for patients who have illnesses that can be transmitted by contact with infected blood or body fluids. ID 203 places a special emphasis on protecting the health of the healthcare worker. This course adheres to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Bloodborne Pathogens Standard (29 CFR 1910.1030). This standard was devised in 1991 to protect healthcare workers who are at risk for bloodborne pathogens, including Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C and HIV/AIDS exposure. The standard was updated in 2001 to reflect the requirements of the Needlestick Safety and Prevention Act enacted by Congress in 2000.

TARGET AUDIENCE
- Recommended for all RNs (Clinical Nurses, APRNs, CNSs), MDs, PAs, direct care givers, clinical laboratory professionals and those individuals who will come into contact with blood specimens
- Intermediate-level

MODALITY
- Online

ID 203 TOPICS INCLUDE:
- Risks associated with Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), Hepatitis B Virus (HBV) and Hepatitis C Virus (HCV)
- Potential routes of exposure from bloodborne pathogens
- Practices which help to limit the risk of transmission of bloodborne pathogens, including:
  - Proper hand hygiene
  - Proper use of personal protective equipment
  - Safe handling of specimens
  - Methods for the safe disposal of sharps and the cleaning of spills
- Steps to be taken in the event of an exposure to a potential bloodborne pathogen

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