

**Universal precautions.**

Licensees who perform or participate in invasive procedures shall, in the performance of or participation in any such procedures or functions, be familiar with, observe, and rigorously adhere to the acceptable and prevailing standards for universal blood and body fluid precautions to minimize the risk of being exposed to or exposing others to the hepatitis B virus (HBV) and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). The acceptable and prevailing universal blood and body fluid precautions which the licensee follows shall include at least the following:

- (A) Appropriate use of hand washing;
- (B) Effective disinfection and sterilization of equipment;
- (C) Safe handling and disposal of needles and other sharp instruments; and
- (D) Appropriate barrier techniques including wearing and disposal of gloves and other protective garments and devices.

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