Samford University Athletic Training Education OSHA Compliance Statement

Blood borne pathogens are disease causing microorganisms that may be present in human blood or other bodily fluids. Two pathogens that are of special importance to athletic trainers are the Hepatitis B Virus (HBV) and Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV). Hepatitis B directly affects the liver by resulting in swelling, soreness, and the loss of normal liver functions. Human Immunodeficiency Virus affects the immune system by destroying the T-cells which helps prevent disease. At this time, there is no known cure for either disease. However, there is a vaccine for the prevention of HBV.

All individuals working within the Samford University Athletic Training Education Program are anticipated to come in contact with blood or other infectious materials while performing their duties. A blood borne pathogen may not only exist in the athletic training rooms, but also may be present on athletic equipment and at any athletic venue.

Potential areas of exposure, disease transmission, and techniques for prevention are documented and outlined during an annual blood borne pathogen and OSHA seminar.

I have attended the seminar, reviewed the information, and understand the OSHA and blood borne pathogen guidelines. I understand that I must take part in annual in-service programs regarding the OSHA guidelines and universal precautions.

Year 1	Student Signature	Date
Staff Signature / Witness		Date
Year 2	Student Signature	Date
Staff Signature / Witness		Date
Year 3	Student Signature	Date
Staff Signature / Witness		Date
Year 4	Student Signature	Date
Staff Signature / Witness		Date
Year 5	Student Signature	
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