



## Just the Facts...

### Hazard Communication (HAZCOM) Training Program

Approximately 60 percent of all healthcare workers (HCW) have possible occupational exposures to hazardous chemicals. Often, limited resources require HAZCOM program managers to identify and train these workers and their supervisors first. One method of identifying possibly exposed workers is to conduct a hospital-wide survey. During the survey, there are three main questions HAZCOM program managers should ask:

- ◆ **Are there any hazardous chemicals stored/used in the work area?** (Ask to see the hazardous chemical inventory.)
- ◆ **How are these hazardous chemicals used?** (Ask supervisors and workers to describe their jobs or ask to see any completed job safety analyses.)

- ◆ **Who uses these hazardous chemicals?** (Ask supervisors to tell you the names of workers who work with the hazardous chemicals.)

*Note: HAZCOM program managers can speed up the identification process by carrying along a current copy of the hospital's personnel information roster. Supervisors can then simply point out the names or the job titles of the workers having possible exposures.*

The following tables describe the work areas and job titles of HCW who usually require HAZCOM training. **This information will vary based on the size of the hospital, the types of healthcare services provided, and individual worker's job duties.**

### HEALTHCARE PROVIDER/SUPPORT PERSONNEL HAVING POSSIBLE OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURES TO HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS

#### PATIENT CARE SUPPORT

DEPARTMENT	MILITARY OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALITY	CIVILIAN JOB SERIES
Central Material Services	91D Operating Room Specialist	GS-622 Medical Supply Technician
Nutrition Care Division	65C Dietitian 92G Food Service Specialist	WG-7402 Barber MG/WS-7404 Cook WG-7407 Food Service Worker WG/WL-7408 Food Service Worker
Pathology Department	61U Pathologist 91K Medical Laboratory Specialist	GS-601 General Health Specialist GS-644 Medical Technologist GS-645 Medical Technician GS-646 Pathology Technician
Pharmacy Services	68H Pharmacist 91Q Pharmacy Specialist	GS-318 Secretary GS-660 Pharmacist GS-661 Pharmacy Technician
Radiology Department	61R Diagnostic Radiologist 91P Radiology Specialist	GS-305 Mail and File Clerk GS-322 Clerk-Typist GS-647 Diagnostic Radiologic Technologist GS-649 Medical Instrument Technician GS-675 Medical Records Technician GS-679 Medical Clerk
Volunteer Services		Red Cross Volunteers

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DENTAC	63A General Dentist 63B Comprehensive Dentist 63D Perodontist 63F Prosthodontist 63K Pediatric Dentist 63N Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeon 92Y Unit Supply Specialist 91E Dental Specialist	GS-681 Dental Assistant GS-682 Dental Hygienist GS-683 Dental Laboratory Technician
Critical Cars Areas & Ambulance Section	60N Anesthesiologist 62A Emergency Physician 61J General Surgeon 61R Diagnostic Radiologist 62A Emergency Physician 62B Field Surgeon 66D Pediatric Nurse 66E Operating Room Nurse 66F Nurse Anesthetist 66G Obstetric & Gynecologic Nurse 66H Medical-Surgical Nurse 66J Clinical Nurse 91B Medical Specialist 91C Practical Nurse 91D Operating Room Specialist 91P Radiology Specialist	GS-602 Medical Officer GS-610 Nurse GS-620 Practical Nurse GS-621 Nursing Assistant GS-640 Health Aid & Technician GS-647 Diagnostic Radiologic, Technologist GS-649 Medical Instrument Technician GS-675 Medical Records Technician GS-679 Medical Clerk
General Outpatient Clinics	60J Obstetrician/Gynecologist 60K Urologist 60L Dermatologist 61F Internist 61H Family Physician 61M Orthopedic Surgeon 62B Field Surgeon 65B Physical Therapist 65D Physician's Assistant 66G Obstetric & Gynecologic Nurse 92Y Unit Supply Specialist 91B Medical Specialist 91D Operating Room Specialist 91P Radiology Specialist 91Q Pharmacy specialist 91V Respiratory Specialist 91K Medical Laboratory Specialist	GS-303 Clerk GS-318 Secretary GS-602 Medical Officer GS-610 Nurse GS-620 Practical Nurse GS-621 Nursing Assistant GS-640 Health Aid & Technician GS-679 Medical Clerk
Inpatient Wards	66G Obstetric & Gynecologic Nurse 66H Medical-Surgical Nurse 66J Clinical Nurse 91B Medical Specialist 91C Practical Nurse	GS-610 Nurse GS-620 Practical Nurse GS-621 Nursing Assistant

#### ENVIRONMENTAL SUPPORT

DEPARTMENT	MILITARY OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALTY	CIVILIAN JOB SERIES
Environmental Health Section	67C Preventive Medicine Science Officer 91S Preventive Medicine Specialist	GS-640 Health Aid & Technician
Housekeeping		GS-673 Hospital Housekeeper
Industrial Hygiene Section		GS-690 Industrial Hygienist GS-640 Health Aid & Technician
Logistics Division	91A Medical Equipment Repairer 92Y Unit Supply Specialist	GS-2001 General Supply GS-2005 Supply Clerk & Technician GS-802 Engineering Technician WG-3566 Custodial Worker WG-4805 Medical Equipment Repairer WG/WS-5703 Motor Vehicle Operator WG/WS-6907 Warehouse Worker
Safety		GS-018 Safety & Occupational Health Manager
Veterinary Services	64B Veterinarian	Nonappropriated Fund (NAF) Employees