

Workplace Health

Policy And Procedure For Persons Working With Lentivirus And Lentivirus-Based Vectors

The potential for human inoculation and uncertainties concerning the potential infectivity of agents transduced by the Lentivirus system dictate the need for a simple medical surveillance program.

All persons working with Lentivirus and Lentivirus-based vectors will be seen at Workplace Health prior to the commencement of work with the virus.

A reference serum specimen will be collected and banked.

No annual follow up will be required.

In the event of a needle stick injury in which self-inoculation with Lentivirus or Lentivirus-based vectors is a possibility, the individual will report to Workplace Health and a serum sample for HIV and/or other pathogens will be obtained and tested. All serum specimens will be coded and the test result will be known only to the Workplace Health physician and the donor individual.

Approved: Biohazards Subcommittee, September 14, 2012 **Supersedes:** December 6, 2007