

**2.18**  
**CRAIG POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
**Office of Chief of Police**  
**General Order**

**Date Issued:** November 1, 1997  
**Subject:** Health And Safety  
**To:** All Officers

**Revision Date:** March 1, 2004  
**Reference:** CACP STD

**I. Policy:**

It is the policy of the Craig Police Department to mandate that all members of the department follow approved procedures for preventing occupational health hazards. To accomplish this, pursuant to the OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens Standards, training will be provided to each affected member of the department; procedures for preventing work place injuries or the transmission of bloodborne diseases will be strictly enforced; and equipment, vaccinations, training, and a policy of post-exposure testing will be established. This policy incorporates, by reference, the Craig Police Department Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Control Plan which will classify which employees have exposure risk; explain the department's exposure control plan; present the post-exposure plan; provide for hepatitis B vaccinations to applicable employees; provide for protective equipment and mandate its use; as well as provide for record keeping.

The protection of employees from the transmission of airborne and bloodborne diseases is critical to the well being of the employee and the department. Any employee with occupational exposure to blood, saliva, or other potentially infectious materials is covered by this policy.

The department offers a free TB testing program to all employees determined to be at occupational risk. The testing will be provided on an annual basis, or according to current public health recommendations, and after any exposure. Those employees that test positive will have chest x-rays completed at city expense. Those employees who choose not to participate in the testing program must sign a waiver form. All records will be maintained in the employees' medical file.

The purpose of this policy is to protect Craig Police Department employees from occupational health hazards and bloodborne communicable diseases, primarily, but not limited to, Hepatitis B, HIV and AIDS, and to train members of the department to deal with people with communicable diseases.

Procedures for implementing this policy are provided in the Craig Police Department Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Control Plan incorporated in General Order [2.19](#). Refer to the plan for further information.

**Approved By:**



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