**Workplace Safety Manual Changes**

**Effective March 2013**

**Summary of Changes:**

*If you require additional information, read the entire policies and plans in the Workplace Safety Manual in TSL and/or contact the TSL Safety Officer, Jennifer Widge.*

1. Health and Safety Policy: no major changes

2. Accident Prevention Plan: no major changes

3. Exposure Control Plan:

* Bleach solutions for decontamination are clarified
* HMC regulated medical waste changes are included

4. Departmental Disaster Plan: No major changes

5. Lab Incident Management Plan:

* Terminology modified slightly to include Lab Incident Director.

6. Site Specific: Recent personnel changes and location changes have been updated.

7. Chemical Hygiene Plan:

* Updated for GHS (Globally Harmonized System)
  + MSDS switched to SDS
  + Clarified that both GHS and HMIS labels will be used in the lab
  + Noted that all impacted staff will be trained for GHS in 2013. *TSL staff assigned MTS module 4/3/2013 for completion by May 1, 2013*
* Fume hoods now checked for functionality at least every 2 year, and listed functionality evaluated during that check
* EH&S list of Particularly Hazardous Chemicals now moved to EH&S website rather than in Lab Safety Manual
* Update description of who can review a spill kit per CAP regulations

8. Training and Forms: updated for GHS

9. Regulatory Test: reprinted updated regulations

10. Infant/Child Abduction: HMC has no major changes

11. Bioalert Plan:

* Removed Brucellosis and Tularemia from Bioalert list
* Added note about specimens from patients with TB
* Added references

12. Repetitive Stress Injury Prevention: no major changes

13. Specimen Transport: no major changes

14. Radioactive Specimen Plan: **UW ONLY**

* Updated delivery of specimens to Nuclear Medicine for disposal

15. Suspicious Package Plan: No major changes

16. Appendix: no major changes

**MTS Questions: Enter your answers in MTS**

1. Bleach for decontamination (10%) must be made daily to insure maximum effectiveness. (Section 3, page 8, 10.e.)

True or False

2. Regulated medical waste at HMC is loaded into large rolling bins and removed by Environmental Services for on-site sterilization prior to disposal. (Section 3, page 13, 2.b.) True or False

3. Brucellosis, Tularemia, and TB can be safely handled using BSL2 Standard Precautions unless the sample is being: (Section 11, page 2, \* paragraph and note)

* Vortexed
* Centrifuged in closed containers
* Discarded
* Transported

4. MSDS is being replaced with the designation: (Summary Change Step 7 above)

* SDS
* CDC
* CAP
* EHS