Who Should Get the Hepatitis B Vaccine? Everyone who may come in contact with human blood or bodily fluids.

Is it mandatory? No, but it is highly recommended! Should you decide not to receive the vaccination you must sign a declination form which should be included in your employee record in Human Resources. A copy should also be held by your supervisor and a confidential copy should be sent to Safety & Environmental Compliance to the attention of Lisa Cobb.

HEPATITIS B PROPHYLACTIC VACCINATION PROCESS

1. Attain Bloodborne Pathogen Training through the Department of Safety & Environmental Compliance
2. Get an initial Hepatitis B titer drawn from your blood at the University Physicians Group in order to determination if you have sufficient antibodies to protect yourself against the disease
3. If not, receive the 1st Hepatitis B vaccination
4. wait 1 month and receive the 2nd Hepatitis B vaccination
5. Wait 5 months and receive the 3rd Hepatitis B vaccination
6. Wait 4-8 weeks after the last dose and get a Hepatitis B titer drawn from your blood (optional). This should be determined by a physician
7. If your titer is positive then you are protected from the Hepatitis B virus. However, if your titer is negative, you will need to retake the series of shots and get another titer OR get a booster and repeat titer in 30 days.