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Glove Love

This is not your grandfathers BBP course! Come attend this interactive presentation and hands on workshop that focuses on why PPE is essential to protect against the deadly pathogens we encounter in our work environment. The effects these pathogens/viruses have are potentially devastating, making training and the proper use of PPE crucial. Focus will be on basic protection needs as complacency with PPE has become the norm.

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After attending this session, the learner will be able to:

1. Recognize the need for the use of PPE
2. Learn Infection Control Practices
3. Understand the OSHA Standards for Blood Borne Pathogens

Outline:

Recognizing the need for the use of PPE

- BSI - Scene Safety - ok what does that MEAN?
- What is a pathogen, virus etc...? Why do I need to be protected?
- Movies such as Contagion (2011) I am Legend (2007) Outbreak (1995)
- When, Where, What, and How Much PPE is needed?

Looking into real life examples of calls -

- Photos? "How much would you wear?" *Interactive Game*
- What is blood, guts, gore, germs, or not...

Learning Infection Control Practices

- OK I understand PPE - What SPECIFICALLY am I protecting myself against?
Definitions of Hep B, HIV, other contagions
- Ways we get exposed
- Signs and symptoms seen with exposure?
- CDC Zombie Awareness- what does it mean for us?
- How Much PPE is needed? -

Understanding OSHA Standards for Blood Borne Pathogens -

- What is OSHA?
- What is an exposure control plan?
- Workers rights/compensation? HepB vaccination, HIV testing
- Work Practice Controls? Engineering Controls?