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## Could you send a hep b decline form?

As a matter of policy, Ask OSAP does not provide legal advice. Ask OSAP can provide you with some general information on this topic.

The U.S. Department of Labor – Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has requirements in its Bloodborne Pathogens Standard regarding the hepatitis B vaccine and further information can be accessed at these links:

https://www.osha.gov/OshDoc/data BloodborneFacts/bbfact05.pdf 1

https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/etools/hospital/hazards/bbp/declination.html <sup>2</sup>

Please note that immunization requirements may vary by state and it is recommended that you contact you state or local health departments for further information regarding healthcare worker immunizations in your state. It is also recommended that you contact your area OSHA office for further information about the requirements in your state.

Any further questions regarding the legality of healthcare worker vaccines and declination forms should be directed to your attorney.

Resources

- 1) US Department of Labor Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Hepatitis B Vaccination Protection. <a href="https://www.osha.gov/OshDoc/data\_BloodborneFacts/bbfact05.pdf">https://www.osha.gov/OshDoc/data\_BloodborneFacts/bbfact05.pdf</a> Accessed on August 6, 2019.
- 2) US Department of Labor Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Recommended Vaccines for Healthcare Workers. <a href="https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/etools/hospital/hazards/bbp/dec">https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/etools/hospital/hazards/bbp/dec</a> lination.html

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