

HEALTH EXPOSURES STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINES

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I. Scope

This standard shall apply to any member who has been exposed to or has been in contact with any hazardous material or contagious disease while involved in a fire department activity. The purpose is to:

- A. Provide a history of each member's exposure to hazardous materials and contagious diseases while involved in a fire department activity.
- B. Identify the long-term health problems associated with these exposures.

II. Procedure

- A. Whenever a member is exposed to or comes in contact with a hazardous material or contagious disease while involved in a fire department activity, they shall complete a record of the incident on the departments exposure form. The completed form shall be forwarded to the fire chief within 24 hours of the exposure.
- B. A copy of the completed form shall be placed in the member's file.
- C. The completed exposure form shall remain on file at the fire house for a minimum of 30 years following resignation, or termination of the member.

III. Responsibilities

- A. Each member shall be responsible for completing the exposure form whenever they are exposed to or comes in contact with a hazardous material or contagious disease while involved with a department activity.
- B. Officers shall be responsible for ensuring that members have properly completed the exposure form whenever they have been exposed to or come in contact with a hazardous material or contagious disease. Officers shall forward the completed forms to the fire chief within 24 hours of the exposure.