

1. ~~Any fluid containing visible blood, semen, or vaginal secretions; or~~

2. ~~Cerebral spinal fluid, synovial, or amniotic fluid.~~

(ii) ~~"Body fluid" does not include saliva, stool, nasal secretions, sputum, tears, urine, or vomitus.~~

(3) ~~"Exposure" means as between a patient and a health care provider:~~

(i) ~~Percutaneous contact with blood or body fluids;~~

(ii) ~~Mucoecutaneous contact with blood or body fluids;~~

(iii) ~~Open wound, including dermatitis, exudative lesions, or chapped skin, contact with blood or body fluids for a prolonged period; or~~

(iv) ~~Intact skin contact with large amounts of blood or body fluids for a prolonged period.~~

(4) ~~"Health care facility" means a facility or office where health or medical care is provided to patients by a health care provider, including:~~

(i) ~~A health care facility as defined in § 19-101(e)(1) of this article;~~

(ii) ~~A facility operated by the Department or a health officer;~~

(iii) ~~The office of a health care provider; or~~

(iv) ~~A medical laboratory.~~

(5) (i) ~~"Health care provider" means a person who is licensed, certified, or otherwise authorized under the Health Occupations Article to provide health or medical care in:~~

1. ~~The ordinary course of business or practice of a profession;~~

or

2. ~~In an approved education or training program.~~

(ii) ~~"Health care provider" includes any agent or employee of a health care facility.~~

(iii) ~~"Health care provider" does not include any individual who is eligible to receive notification under the provisions of § 18-213 of this title, including any law enforcement officer or any member of any fire department, ambulance company, or rescue squad.~~

(6) ~~"HIV" means the human immunodeficiency virus that causes Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.~~

(b) ~~A physician, nurse, or designee of a health care facility shall, at the request of an exposed health care provider, seek the informed consent of a patient to test a blood sample of the patient for the presence of HIV when:~~