

# City of Kaukauna

## Hepatitis B Vaccinations

Hepatitis B Virus (HBV) is a pathogenic microorganism that can cause potentially life threatening disease in humans. HBV infection is transmitted through exposure to blood and other potentially infectious materials, as defined in the OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens standard, 29 CFR 1910.1030.

Any workers who have reasonably anticipated contact with blood or other potentially infectious materials during performance of their jobs are considered to have occupational exposure and to be at risk of being infected. Workers infected with HBV face a risk for liver ailments which can be fatal, including cirrhosis of the liver and primary liver cancer. A small percentage of adults who get hepatitis B never fully recover and remain chronically infected. In addition, infected individuals can spread the virus to others through contact with their blood and other body fluids.

Hepatitis B vaccination is recognized as an effective defense against HBV infection. Employers must make hepatitis B vaccination available to with a risk of occupational exposure at no cost to the worker.

The City of Kaukauna has identified the Aquatics Staff at the pool as having such a risk of occupational exposure. If you have been hired on the pool staff, you have three options. 1. Submit a record of Hepatitis B Vaccination if you have already received the vaccination. 2. Obtain the Hepatitis B Vaccination. 3. Sign and Submit the Hepatitis B Vaccination Declination Form. One of these options must be completed before employment begins.

### **Option 1: Provide Your Hepatitis B Vaccination Record**

If you have already received the Hepatitis B Vaccination, the City must maintain a copy of your vaccination record. Please provide the City with a copy of your vaccination record from your doctor

### **Option 2: Obtain The Hepatitis B Vaccination**

If you do not currently have the Hepatitis B Vaccination and you elect to receive the vaccination, please report to the address below to begin your series of shots:

#### Address for Hepatitis B Vaccination

Affinity Occupational Health  
1186 Appleton Road  
Menasha, WI  
920-727-8700

Open 7:30 am – 4:30 pm - Bring Photo ID with you.

Walk in and let them know you are there for Hepatitis B Vaccination for the City of Kaukauna.

### **Option 3: Sign and Submit the Hepatitis B Vaccination Declination Form**

Employers must ensure that workers who decline vaccination sign a declination form. The purpose of this is to encourage greater participation in the vaccination program by stating that a worker declining the vaccination remains at risk of acquiring hepatitis B. The form also states that if a worker initially declines to receive the vaccine, but at a later date decides to accept it, the employer is required to make it available, at no cost, provided the worker is still occupationally exposed. If you are choosing to decline the Vaccination, please sign and submit a Hepatitis B Vaccination Declination Form.