

## **SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

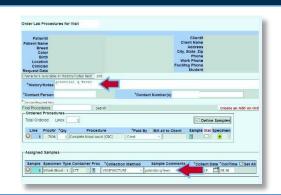
## **VMTH SAFETY - News and Announcements**

#### **MARCH 2019**

#### **SUBMITTING LAB SAMPLES**

Help protect our laboratory staff from potential exposures. When there is a patient where a possible zoonotic disease was a concern, our staff needs to be informed. Extra precautions are taken when handling these samples and when processing the bacterial/fungal cultures.

If there is a potential for a zoonotic pathogen, please remember to put this information in the "History/Note" section in VMACS.



## VMTH IIPP AND EAP TRAINING ON LMS UPDATED

The VMTH Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP) and Emergency Action Program (EAP) training has been updated on LMS to reflect the new SVM Evacuation maps released Summer 2018. Cal/OSHA requires that ALL employees are trained on what is an IIPP and EAP as well as our actual documentation. The actual VMTH IIPP and VMTH EAP documents are now part of the online training.

These documents are always accessible on our VIPER/VMTH Safety Site.

VMTH IIPP and EAP training is **REQUIRED ANNUALLY** for all VMTH employees!!





#### **BE SMART ABOUT SAFETY (BSAS) FUNDS**

Each year, Safety Services budgets a small amount of its budget to fund proactive loss prevention projects, equipments, or training efforts. For the upcoming FY 19/20, proposals can be submitted between March 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>. If the proposal is approved, funding should be expected December 2019.

For more information, visit <u>Safety Services – Be Smart About Safety (BSAS)</u>

Email <u>me</u> if you have an idea for your service area and we can work together in submitting a BSAS proposal. Some ideas include adjustable exam/surgery tables, PAPR, sit/stand stations, and neck coolers.



#### SVM/VMTH SAFETY SITE NEW

Our safety site has migrated to a new platform. Contents remain the same but with a more refreshed look/feel to it. The site has been developed with you in mind. We want safety documents, information, and resources easily accessible to you. As always, we welcome feedback.

Our new safety site has a new web address.

VMTH Safety Site
SVM Safety Site

# VMTH REPORTING A SELECT AGENT SOP UPDATED

Center for Disease Control (CDC) requires entities to submit a report when a select agent has been identified and when there is a potential risk of exposure. This SOP has been updated to reflect changes in how the form is submitted, what information is needed, and who to contact. This form can be found under "VMTH SOPs" on our safety site or click <a href="here">here</a> for a direct link.





# SVM DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES & SAFETY - ROB CORCORAN IS RETIRING!

Rob is retiring at the end of March. He has been an integral part of the Vet School. His contribution, dedication, knowledge and leadership will be missed.

Happy Retirement, Rob!

## FEBRUARY 2019

- Animal bite/scratch 5
- Exposure 2
- Contusion 2
- Laceration 0
- Muscle/back strain 0
- Needle Stick 2
- Slip, trip, fall 2

#### Feedback?

Comments and Suggestions: Email Shirley Liu – VMTH Safety Officer <u>sleung@ucdavis.edu</u> VMTH Safety Resources/Old announcements: VIPER <u>VMTH Safety Site</u>.