

MEMORANDUM

TO: Nurses
Health Assistants
Health Assistant Substitutes
Special Education Teachers
Kid's Club Instructional Aide
Special Education Bus Aides
Preschool Teachers
Preschool Teacher Aides
Sports Coaches
Special Education Aides
Special Education Bus Drivers

FROM: Supplemental Education Department
Employee Benefits Department

SUBJECT: HEPATITIS B VACCINATION

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has adopted a "bloodborne pathogens standard" that requires employers to offer the three injection Hepatitis B vaccination (HBV) series to all employees who could be exposed to blood or other potentially infectious materials daily as part of their job duties. You are one of a number of employees in the District who has been identified as being at increased risk of exposure.

All affected employees must either be vaccinated or submit a declination form. If you do not wish to be immunized, you need to send the signed declination form as soon as possible to, Employee Benefits Department, Mail Stop #13. If you do however wish to receive your Hepatitis B immunization, (HBV) **YOU MUST GO TO:**

**Banner Health
Banner Health Occupational Health Service
2225 W. Southern
Mesa, AZ
602-747-3511 (call to make appt.)**

To receive your immunizations:

1. Call the clinic before you go to confirm vaccination (HBV) availability and clinic hours. M-F 7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
2. Take the attached form with you in order to have your vaccinations paid for by the District. **If you go to another facility, you will be responsible for all incurred expenses.**

Since this is a series of three injections, you need to keep the blue booklet they give you to remind you of the date of your next injection appointment.

The second vaccine is given at least one month after the first and the third injection six months after the initial dose. To ensure immunity, it is important for you to receive all three injections. It is believed that your immunity will last from seven to nine years, so you may need a booster shot at some time in the future.

If you are allergic to bread and beer, you should check with your physician before being vaccinated since the Hepatitis B vaccination is a yeast-based vaccine.

Questions may be referred to the Employee Benefits Department at (480) 783-4017.