BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS AND INFECTIOUS DISEASE

During laboratory and or clinical courses, dental assisting and dental hygiene students will have exposure to blood or other infectious materials (tissue, secretions or body fluids) of patients potentially containing infectious diseases.

The dental programs at Grand Rapids Community College comply with institutional, state and federal regulations for management of bloodborne pathogens. The Dental Programs follow the Center for Disease Control, OSHA and MI-OSHA guidelines to educate and protect students, patients, and faculty from occupational exposures.

For additional information visit the following websites:

www.cdc.gov
www.osha.gov
www.michigan.gov/mioshastandards

Students complete DXX104 (Infection Control) the first semester of the programs. This course provides a thorough training in blood borne pathogens.