

Trouves Health Care

TITLE: INFECTION CONTROL COMMUNICABLE DISEASE POLICY 10.06 EMPLOYEES

Authority: WAC 246-101

PURPOSE:

This policy describes managing Communicable Disease among employees

SCOPE:

Applies to all employees, volunteers, and visitors.

POLICY:

A healthy environment includes special efforts to prevent communicable disease among employees. Reportable diseases, as defined by the chapter 246-101 WAC, will be reported in accordance with the requirements in chapter 246-101 WAC to the local health department.

PROCEDURE:

Hand washing will be done by all employees according to our policy and procedures (see Policy and Procedure, Hand washing).

Gloves will be worn when appropriate according to the policy and procedure.

If a staff member contracts a reportable communicable disease at the facility, the following procedures will be taken:

- 1. Contact the County Health Department and give the following information to them: Name, age, address and phone number of person(s) having the reportable disease.
- 2. Give staff duties which do not expose residents until a health care practitioner documents staff is no longer contagious, IF it was contracted through the work place.
- 3. Place staff on leave until a health care practitioner documents that the staff member is no longer contagious.

EXCEPTIONS:

No exceptions to this policy may be granted without the prior written approval of the Director.

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SUPERCEDES:

None