

## Promotional: WA: Bloodborne Pathogens

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### **Requirements:**

For successful completion of this educational activity and receipt of 0.5 contact hour(s), the learner must:

1. Participate in 30 minutes of continuous learning.
2. Complete a quiz with a minimum score of 80%.
3. Complete an evaluation form.

### **Educational activity description:**

Needlesticks and other sharps-related injuries may expose healthcare workers to bloodborne pathogens. This educational activity is an overview of common bloodborne pathogens and best practices to lower the risk of exposure.

### **Target audience:**

The target audience for this educational activity is all staff in a long-term care setting. This is an intermediate level educational activity. Information is geared to practitioners with a general working knowledge of current practice trends and literature related to the subject matter. The focus is on increasing understanding and competent application of the subject matter.

### **Readability/Reading Level:**

The readability/reading level of this course is 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> grade.

### **Learning outcome:**

At the completion of this educational activity, the learner will demonstrate knowledge about bloodborne pathogens by passing a quiz with a score of 80% or greater accuracy.

### **Learning objectives:**

At the completion of this educational activity, the learner will be able to:

1. Identify three (3) most common viruses a healthcare worker can be exposed to on the job.
2. Select four (4) types of bloodborne pathogens.
3. Choose three (3) ways to prevent the spread of infection.

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Linda has worked with older adults across the continuum of eldercare as a rehab nurse, geriatric nurse case manager, Director of Nursing, consultant, Staff Development specialist, instructor, and clinical professor. In her role as Director of Education of a 180-bed long-term care facility she developed, implemented, and evaluated competency-based staff education focused on infection prevention and control to comply with regulatory training mandates. She enjoys developing creative learning that engages the learners and motivates them to be competent and person-centered caregivers.

### **Reviewer:**

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Samantha has 13 years of nursing experience working with older adults in long term care settings. Samantha has held positions of clinical practice and education including Staff Nurse and Clinical Instructor for Nurse Aide Training Program for North Carolina. As a clinical instructor, Samantha has taught infection control, patient safety, and patient care standards for long term care for adults. Samantha is an advocate for patients receiving competency-based training in the long-term care setting.

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