### College of Dental Medicine HAZCOMM and Environmental Health & Safety



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## **Training Outline**

- Crucial for a safe work place
- Policy/procedures may vary
- Required by Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA)
- To understand your rights & responsibilities
- Participate in safety programs and take appropriate action

## **Training Outline**



## Roles & Responsibilities (Training)



### Hazard Identification



### Hazard Control Methods & PPE



#### **Emergency Procedures**

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## **Roles & Responsibilities**

### **Columbia University & Pl**

- Identify Hazards
- Provide Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Provide Information
- Provide Training
- Including task specific training

#### You

- Ensure your own safety
- Report hazards
- Use Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Follow procedures
- Get Trained
- Promote a safe, healthy & environmentally sound workplace

## Roles & Responsibilities: EH&S

#### Consultants

- Technical Guidance
- Institutional Health and Safety Program Development
- Laboratory Inspections and Surveys
- Conduct Research Safely in Compliance with Regulations

#### **Services Provided**

- General Safety Training
- Hazardous Waste Disposal
- Emergency Response
- Hazard Assessments
- Laboratory Commissioning and Decommissioning
- Laboratory and Equipment Clearances

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## Hazard Identification: Regulatory Introduction

Columbia University laboratories and dental clinics must comply with rules set by the following regulatory bodies:

### > New York City

- Fire Department (FDNY)
- Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)
- Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)

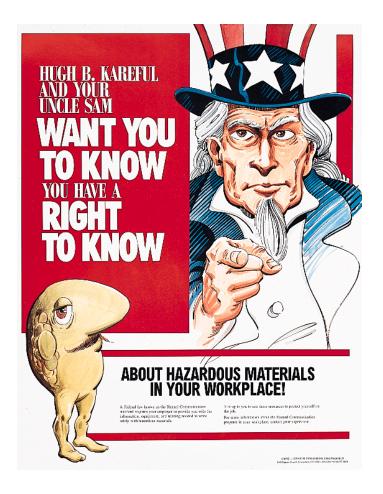
### New York State

Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC)

### Federal

- Department of Labor: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)
- United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA)

## Hazard Identification: OSHA Hazard Communication Standard



- You have a <u>right to know</u> about the hazards you may be exposed to and how to protect against exposures
- The classification of chemical hazards and the dissemination of safety information to personnel working with chemicals

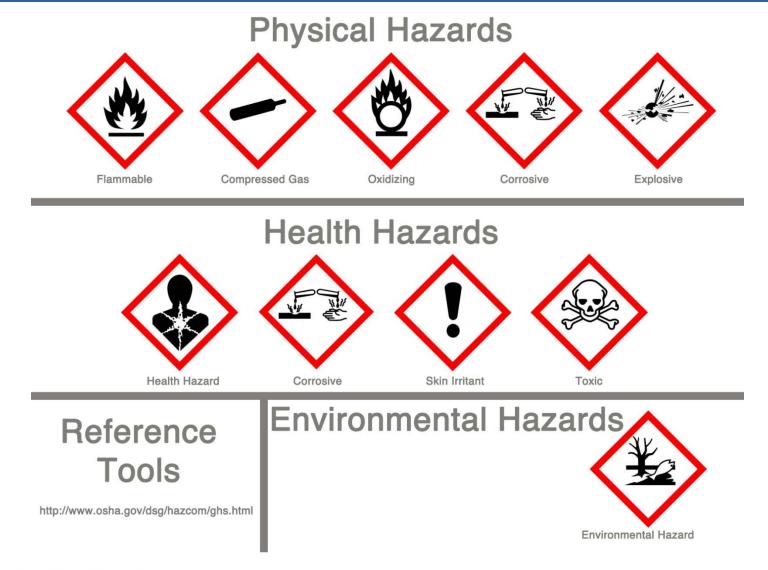
(29 CFR 1910.1200)

## Hazard Identification: Recognizing & Evaluating Hazards



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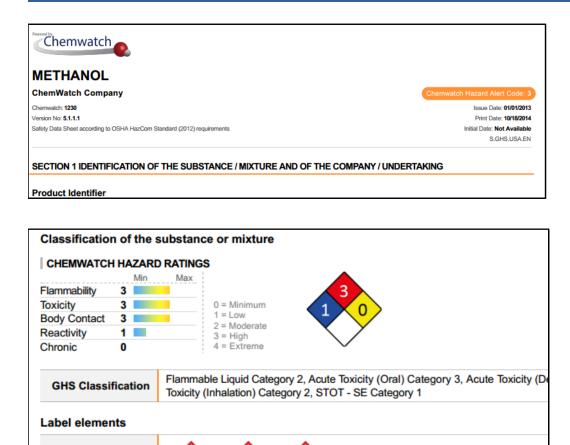
## Hazard Identification: Pictograms & Hazards



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## Hazard Identification: Safety Data Sheets (SDS)



- 1. Identification
- 2. Hazard Identification
- 3. Composition
- 4. First Aid Measures
- 5. Fire-fighting measures
- 6. Accidental release measures
- 7. Handling & Storage
- 8. Exposure Controls
- 9. Physical & Chemical Properties
- 10. Stability & Reactivity
- 11. Toxicological information
- 12. Ecological information
- 13. Disposal considerations
- 14. Transport information
- 15. Regulatory information
- 16. Other information

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GHS label elements

## Hazard Identification: Using ChemWatch

- Columbia's online source for safety data sheets
- Available from any computer on the CU network

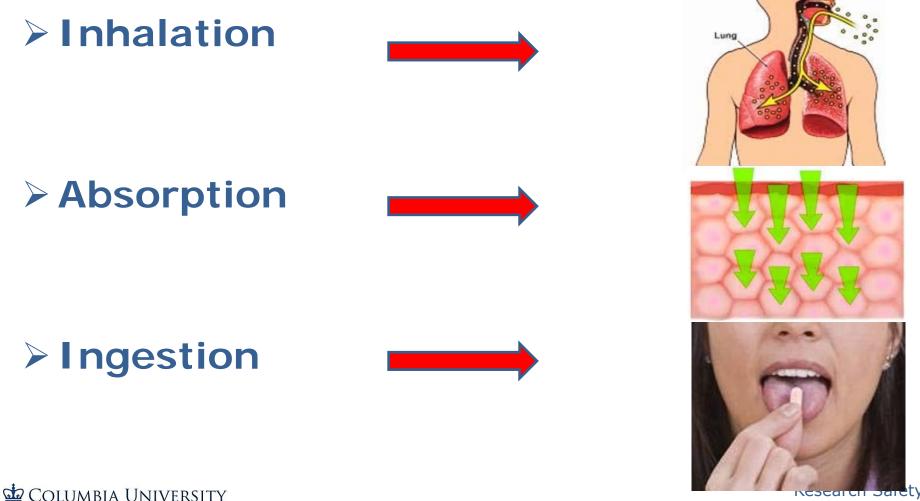
#### Available: http://ehs.columbia.edu/sds.html





## Hazard Identification: Routes of Exposure

How might you be exposed to a chemical hazard?



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## Hazard Identification: Routes of Exposure





### **Injection:** Puncture/Laceration

- Sharps, Needles, razor blades, and glass, can cause cuts, lacerations, and punctures
- All needles, syringes and blades must be discarded in rigid sharps containers regardless of the status of biological contamination
- Limit use, do not recap needles



- Do not remove needles from syringes
- > Do not bend, break, or manipulate syringes

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## Hazard Identification: Chemical Health Hazards

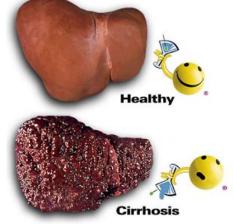
### > Acute Health Effects:

- An exposure to a hazardous material with immediate symptoms but is often reversible
- Headaches, dizziness, burns from corrosive chemicals and/or rash



### Chronic Health Effects:

- Prolonged or repeated exposure to hazardous materials may lead to irreversible damage with symptoms that are not immediately apparent
- Cancer, mutation, and/or reproductive effects



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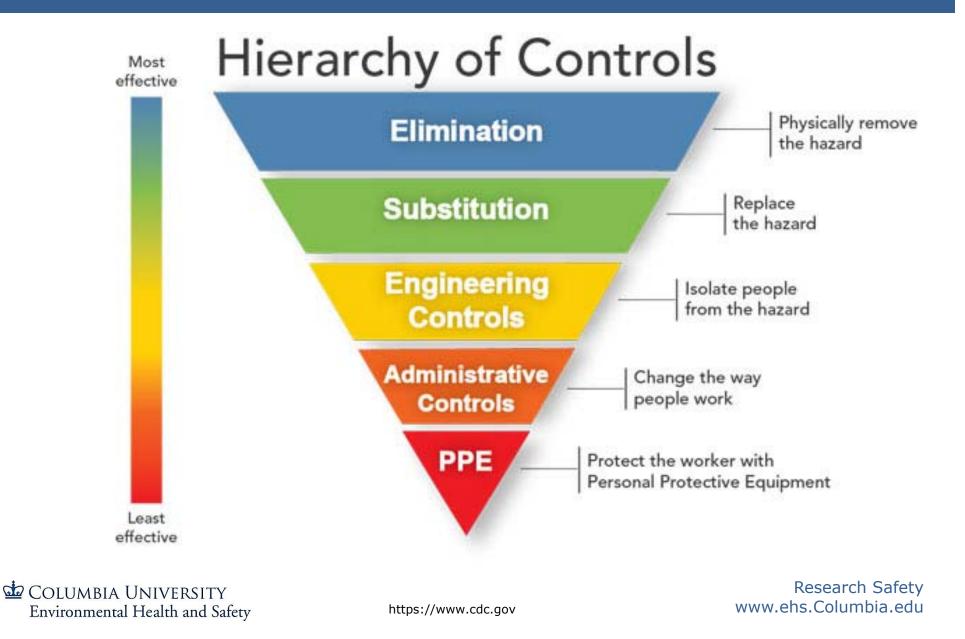
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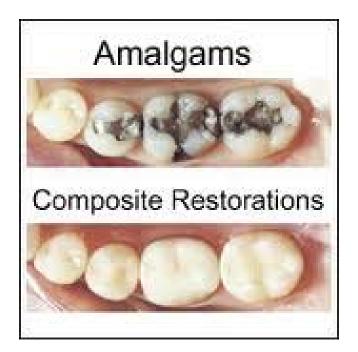
### **Hierarchy of Hazard Control Methods**



## Hazard Control Methods: Elimination & Substitution

### Mercury Dental Filling vs Resin Composite





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## Hazard Control Methods: Engineering Controls

#### HVAC system, Fume hoods and Machine guards





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## Hazard Control Methods: Administrative Controls

- Policies, procedures, effective communication and best work practices designed to ensure the safety of personnel
- Consult an experienced staff or faculty member before modifying a protocol or designing a new experiment



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## Hazard Control Methods: Administrative Controls - Compressed Gases

- Gases in cylinders are under high pressure and compressed gas cylinders can be destructive to life and property if damaged.
- Seek instruction from an experienced person before handling compressed gas cylinders.
- Always secure cylinders to a stable mount.
- Remove regulators and apply cap when the cylinder is not in use.
- It is important to segregate incompatible gases.
  - Example: Compressed oxygen tanks separated from flammable gases by 20 feet.



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## Hazard Control Methods: Administrative Controls - Housekeeping

- Do not place or store items on top of cabinets, light fixtures & radiators
- Do not block aisles and exits
- Maintain tidy workstations

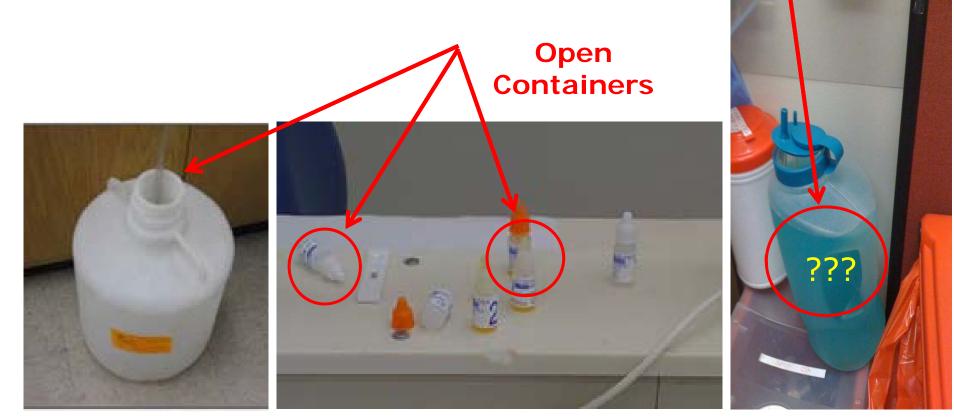


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## **Hazard Control Methods: Administrative Controls**

- Proper storage and segregation of hazardous materials. **No Labels**
- $\geq$  Proper chemical container labeling



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## Hazard Control Methods: Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

### MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES IN THE CLINIC:

- Proper work attire
- Scrubs
- Lab coats/aprons
- Safety glasses/goggles
- > Protective gloves





### Hazard Control Methods: Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

### When working in the lab & clinic you must wear PPE & proper attire or you will be asked to leave the immediately









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### Hazard Control Methods: Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

### **General Areas**

- Wearing gloves on elevators is NOT permitted
- Never Touch elevator buttons or door knobs with gloves
- Always remember to remove your gloves when you leave your work station
- Remember to remove disposable gowns before leaving clinical areas
- Never step outside of VC with gowns & gloves





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#### **Emergency Procedures**

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## **Emergency Procedures: Reporting Laboratory Emergencies**

Reporting Fire, Smoke Conditions or Personal Injury					
Campus	Public Safety from a Campus Phone	Public Safety from a Personal Phone	EH&S		
Medical Center	(212) 305-7979	(212) 305-8100	(212)305-6780		

### ➢ Provide:

- -Name & UNI
- —Location (building, room)
- —Phone number
- -Incident details
- -Any Personal injury



### Emergency Procedures: Equipment

#### Eye Wash Station F

#### **Fire Extinguisher**





#### **Keep Clear of Obstruction!**

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### Emergency Procedures: Using an Eye Wash

# Wash a contaminant out of the eye by providing a continuous flow of water.

- Activate the eye wash station and enable "hands-free" operation.
- Gently position your eyes into the water stream.
- Flush your eyes for a full 15 minutes.
- Test it weekly Do not wait for an emergency!



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## Emergency Procedures: Spills

#### Manageable

Call Facilities to mop up spills of non-hazardous materials

Examples:

- > Water
- Bleach
- Other disinfectants

Small amounts of low hazard chemicals & biological spills can be managed by you!

### Unmanageable

Call EH&S at (212) 305-6780 with:

- Chemical identity if known
- > Volume
- Location
- Your name, UNI, and telephone number

#### Please visit the EH&S Website to review this and other help emergency response videos

http://ehs.columbia.edu/LabEmergencyResponseVideos.html

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## **Emergency Procedures: Spills & Emergency Response**



## **Emergency Procedures: Personal Contamination**

- Flush contaminated eyes, face, arms, and body area with copious amounts of water
- Remove contaminated clothing
- If there are no visible burns, wash gently with soap and warm water
- Seek medical attention, if necessary
- If there are no visible burns, wash gently with soap and warm water
- Inform your supervisor



### Spills and Emergency Procedure: Where to go for Injuries & Health Emergencies

Campus	Hours	Employees	Public Safety Contact
CUMC	<b>Business-Hours</b>	Workforce Health & Safety Harkness Pavillion	(212) 305-7979
	After-Hours	NYPH Emergency Depart. First Floor of the Vanderbilt Clinic (VC)	
Campus	Hours	Students	Student Health Services
CUMC	<b>Business-Hours</b>	Student Health Services	(212) 305-3400



## Reminder

- > Be familiar with the location of emergency equipment
- > Address manageable spills as soon as they occur
- If this cannot be done immediately, mark off the area and ALERT those around you
- Take Action! Call Facilities or EH&S immediately SAFETY FIRST/SAFETY ALWAYS



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## Thank you!



#### Please save ALL questions until the end of the training!

