

SAFETY ALERT

Recent and Upcoming Changes

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LISP Validation and BSL-2 Certification Reminder

There are still labs with outstanding action items from their FY21-22 LISP or BSL-2 assessments. To prevent overlap with the upcoming FY22-23 assessments, please remedy any outstanding action items as soon as possible. Please contact your RMS Lab Safety Team contact with any updates, questions, or concerns.

Biosafety Manual Updated and New Signage Requirements

In partnership with the IBC, the Biosafety Manual has been revised to incorporate the CDC's BMBL 6th Edition changes and is available in the <u>All in One Reference Document</u> and on the <u>RMS Biosafety web page</u>. The new signage requirements have led to revised signage needing to be posted, which RMS has already started distributing ("*Rev. 2022a*" in lower right corner) to BSL-2 lab spaces. Please complete and replace the old BSL-2 signage as soon as possible if not already completed.

The BMBL revision also changed requirements for BSL-1 labs, including requiring that BSL-1 warning signage is posted on the entryway door(s). RMS will be distributing this signage and working with BSL-1 spaces to ensure all the changes are implemented, but if there are any questions, concerns or additional information wanted, email labsafety@nd.edu.

Online Digital Eyewash Inspections with QR Code Access

Since every lab space on campus with an eyewash station is required to conduct monthly inspections and document the results, RMS wanted to reduce OSHA's (2 year) record retention burden by managing the inspections digitally in one centralized database. The paper inspection cards seem to always be difficult to read, thrown away too early, or damaged by water.

To keep the process as streamlined as possible and to remove burdensome record-keeping on the labs, RMS will soon provide a digital form with QR code access. Lab staff will have the option to use either the QR code or a hyperlink on their their smartphones, tablets, laptops, other devices to access the form and input the inspection results directly into the digital form. As a result, record keeping will no longer be the responsibility of the lab as all information will be captured and stored in a database. In the upcoming weeks, a QR Code sign will be posted above each of the eye-wash stations within the labs to ensure QR code access. More information on the form and the QR codes will be available shortly in the All in One Reference Document and RMS Lab Safety website.

EHS Insight (Inspection Tool)



RMS will be rolling out a new inspections tool called 'EHS Insight' for the FY22-23 assessments. It is a cloud-based environmental, health, safety (EHS) and quality management solution available on Windows, Android, and IOS devices. The system offers an array of other modules, which could be implemented in the future to replace and streamline existing processes into a single system. If you were unable to attend one of the demonstration sessions hosted by RMS, please use these links below to access a recording and the slideshow which accompanied it.

EHS Insight Demo Recording: (https://notredame.hosted.panopto.com/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=dfb93b79-b537-42db-986f-aebc010ddb1c)

EHS Insight Slideshow: (https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1ijv8G5-qxnIqlSh7Q2olt6dKM2fbEuHb/edit#slide=id.p1)

Contact your RMS liaison or <u>labsafety@nd.edu</u> with any questions on these or other safety-related topics. **Need additional resources?**

For more information regarding laboratory safety, see the Laboratory Safety resources provided on the RMS website (<u>http://riskmanagement.nd.edu/laboratory-safety/</u>)