OSHA's Bloodborne Pathogen Standard requires employers to provide training for their employees who have occupational exposure. Training must take place within 365 days of previous training. This program meets OSHA's required elements.

**Part 1: OSHA Compliance and Safety** discusses ways to “Shield Your Practice” by developing a commitment to safety within the workplace. We will review hazards and breaches, violations and penalties, OSHA standards and regulatory issues. Main emphasis will be on developing an exposure control plan by introducing sections of the plan which includes, but not limited to, needlestick safety, universal precautions, hepatitis B vaccine, post-exposure protocol, PPE, fire prevention and emergency action plans including active shooter preparation, checklists and inspections, hazard communication including GHS review, and waste management regulations.

**Part 2: Infection Control** presentation is based on the 2016 Updated CDC Guidelines for dental facilities including getting “Back to the Basics of I.C.” Topics include hand hygiene, PPE, housekeeping schedule, surface disinfecting, waterline maintenance, liquid sterilant, and one-time use items. We will also walk through 9 steps in the preparation of instruments and sterilization procedures and include tips on handling sterilization and spore testing pitfalls.

**Objectives:**
- Gain the essentials needed to comply with OSHA regulations.
- Receive tips on developing your exposure control plan and preventive measures that promote safety.
- Reaffirm the importance of following infection control recommendations.
- Review the new guidelines released by the CDC in March 2016.
- Motivate and encourage you to make necessary changes of outdated infection control procedures.

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