



# Regional Biosafety Workshop for Sentinel Laboratories

**Interact with Colleagues and Get Hands-on Practice in this free event!**

Biosafety within laboratories does not always receive the attention it should. Laboratorians put themselves at risk on a daily basis performing necessary and life-saving testing. Each procedure, process and action, from the receipt of samples into the laboratory to testing of the specimen, to the handling of the biohazardous waste that is generated in the process, can create the potential for accidents and exposures.

Please join the Missouri State Public Laboratory for this free, day long workshop. Throughout the day attendees will have the opportunity to gain the skills and confidence to objectively assess the safety of daily operations in their facilities. The instructors will guide discussions and practice on various biosafety topics.

This intermediate workshop is intended for laboratory managers, supervisors and laboratory bench technicians. Ideally, a representative of management AND bench scientists will attend. Sample protocols will be used for risk assessments, but participants are encouraged to bring a procedure of their own if they wish.

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**Register at the link below:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YDSWPK>

## Topics:

- > Risk Assessments Within Your Laboratory
- > Safe Operation of Biological Safety Cabinets
- > Spill Clean-Up
- > Hazardous Waste Considerations

**After completing this workshop participants will be able to:**

- Perform risk assessments of laboratory procedures
- Apply mitigation strategies to minimize risk in laboratory settings
- Demonstrate proper techniques for working inside a BSC
- List the appropriate steps for cleaning up a biological spill
- Discuss and apply the correct procedures for handling biohazardous waste
- List resources to assist in ongoing biosafety improvements

## Continuing Education

The Missouri State Public Health Laboratory is approved as a provider of continuing education programs in the clinical laboratory sciences by the ASCLS P.A.C.E.® Program. Participants who successfully complete this program will be awarded 5.5 contact hours.

## 2020 Workshop Dates

St. Louis	7-21
Kansas City	8-11
Jefferson City	8-18