**Adherence to Federal, State and Local Laws and Regulations**

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**Department:** Pathology-Laboratory

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**Responsible Agent:** Pathology/Hematopathology Administrative Director, Lab

**Scope:** Pathology-Laboratory

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(A) **Policy Statement**

UTMC is committed to follow all local, state, and federal regulations. Some governing agencies involved are the EPA, OSHA, The Ohio Department of Health, and the FDA.

(B) **Purpose of Policy**

To ensure adherence to federal, state, and local regulations regarding all aspects of laboratory that are subject to such laws. These include, but are not limited to: handling radioactive materials, shipping and handling of infectious materials, patient consent, HIPAA, reporting notifiable conditions, hazardous waste disposal, and universal precautions.

(C) **Procedure**

1. Individual policies that address the issues listed above are available on the UT intranet [http://utoledo.edu/policies/].
2. If there are questions regarding policy or questions that may not be addressed in the policy, the director of the Department of Safety and Health should be called or paged.
3. If there are questions regarding infection control issues, such as universal precautions, or reportable results, the Infection Control Department should be called or paged.

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