INFECTION POLICY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Members

1. Three faculty representatives from the Health Professions departments
2. Two faculty representatives from the Basic Sciences departments
3. Two faculty representatives from the Dental departments
4. Three faculty representatives from the Medical departments
5. Two faculty representatives from the Nursing departments
6. One Health Science Center employee
7. One student from each of the five Schools

Ex-Officio (with vote)

1. Chair, Student Health Advisory Committee
2. Liaison, Student Health Service Contract
3. Director, Laboratory Animal Resources
4. One representative from UT Medicine

Ex-Officio (without vote)

1. Representative, Environmental Health and Safety, Workers Compensation Division
2. Assistant Vice President for Risk Management and Safety

Consultant

1. Infection control representative from University Health System/VA

Chair

Designated annually by the President from the membership
Charge

To serve in an advisory and consultative capacity to the President and the Vice President for Research and to advise the Environmental Health and Safety Office in matters pertaining to heightened awareness by students, faculty, and staff of the risks, prevention, and treatment of illness caused by exposure to transmissible agents in the workplace and outside the Health Science Center. To develop policies about the responsibilities of students, faculty, and staff of the Health Science Center for risk management, prevention, and treatment of illness caused by exposure to transmissible agents within the Health Science Center and to recommend these policies to the Executive Committee of the Health Science Center for implementation. To develop policies about the responsibilities of the Health Science Center to students, faculty, and staff regarding protection from exposure to bloodborne pathogens or potentially infectious agents in the workplace or classroom and to recommend these policies to the Executive Committee of the Health Science Center for implementation. To maintain a panel of expert advisors from the Health Science Center to address ad hoc infectious disease-related personnel issues of the Health Science Center and to offer recommendations for their resolution. To recommend policies within the Health Science Center to reflect new knowledge or changes in the understanding of infectious disease risk, etiology, prevention, and treatment. Recognizing that infectious diseases are not predictable, it may be necessary for the Committee to draw upon disease specific and educational expertise as the need arises.

Term of Membership

Three years