

# Healthcare Industry Safety Regulations



**For more information on this topic, see “FOCUS ON: Safety Issues & Regulation in the Healthcare Industry”**

## **KNOW THE LAWS: Healthcare Industry Safety Regulations**

Here's what you need to know about how your jurisdiction regulates safety in the healthcare industry in its OHS laws:

<b>FED</b>	The OHS laws don't specifically address the healthcare industry. <i>OHS Code, 2009:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Part 35 applies to healthcare and industries with biological hazards</li></ol>
<b>AB</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>2. Two sections in Part 14 (Lifting and Handling Loads) apply to healthcare facilities: Sec. 209.1 (work site design – healthcare facilities) and Sec. 209.2 (patient/client/resident handling)</li><li>3. Sec. 245(2) addresses exposure of healthcare workers to airborne biohazardous material</li></ol>
<b>BC</b>	<i>OHS Regulation</i> addresses specific healthcare industry hazards such as safety-engineered needles and medical sharps, and cytotoxic drugs <i>The Workplace Health and Safety Act:</i> Sec. 45.1 addresses needles in medical workplaces
<b>MB</b>	<i>Workplace Safety and Health Regulation:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Sec. 11.8 covers violence in workplaces used to provide healthcare services</li><li>2. Part 39 applies to healthcare facilities</li></ol>
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<b>NS</b>	<i>Safer Needles In Healthcare Workplaces Act</i> and related regulation address the use of safety-engineered needles in healthcare workplaces. <i>Violence in the Workplace Regulations</i> covers violence in healthcare workplaces.
<b>NT</b>	<i>OHS Regulations:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Part 31 provides additional protections for healthcare workers</li><li>2. Sec. 35 (Violence) specifically applies to work sites that provide services provided by healthcare facilities</li></ol>
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<b>ON</b>	<i>Ontario Regulation 67/93</i> applies to healthcare and residential facilities. <i>Ontario Regulation 474/07</i> applies to needle safety.
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<b>SK</b>	<i>OHS Regulations, 1996:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Part XXXI provides additional protections for healthcare workers</li><li>2. Sec. 37 (Violence) specifically applies to places of employment that provide services provided by healthcare facilities</li></ol>
<b>YT</b>	The OHS laws don't specifically address the healthcare industry.