

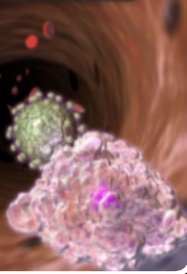
# BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS (BBP)

## Most Common BBP:

HIV

Hepatitis B

Hepatitis C



## BBP Definition

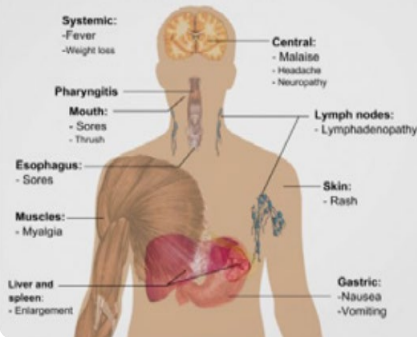
Bloodborne pathogens are disease-causing microorganisms found in human blood and other body fluids that can infect people who are exposed to them.

## Symptoms

### Cause Flu-like Symptoms:

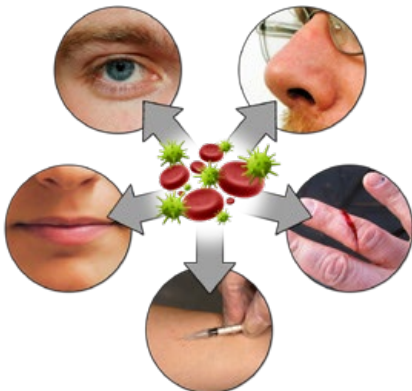
- Fever
- Loss of appetite
- Fatigue
- Nausea and/or vomiting

Main symptoms of  
Acute HIV infection



## Modes of Transmission

- Contact with open sores, cracked, or broken skin.
- Contact with mucous membranes:
  - Eyes, nose, mouth, genitals.
- Puncture wounds: Needlesticks.



## Protect Yourself from BBP Infection

- Wear appropriate PPE: Gloves, lab coat, eye protection when working with, or cleaning blood or other body fluids.
- Never re-cap needles.
- Don't eat or drink around blood.
- Wash hands after removing your gloves and when work is complete.

