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Summary of Public Comments Chapter 246-100 WAC

Comment	Staff Recommendation
<p>WAC 246-100-205 the BOH changed the title to state "Blood-borne pathogen exposure - Occupation settings other than jail and corrections settings." The problem is that WAC 246-100-2061 Blood-borne pathogen exposure - Department of corrections facilities only pertains to exposures related to "inmate's behavior". Historically, accidental exposures in DOC that were not the result of behavior defaulted to 246-100-205; However, now that the WAC was renamed, it implies that it does NOT apply to jails and corrections, so what WAC applies to accidental exposures in correctional settings? The name of 246-100-205 should be modified and should not exclude corrections.</p>	<p>Staff Recommendation: Current rule excludes Department of Corrections and inmates under its jurisdiction from the provisions of WAC 246-100-205. The proposed change to the title does not impact the applicability of this section. Additionally, there are applicable sections for jails and corrections facilities.</p>

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