Biosafety/Safety Training Requirements

The Lankenau Institute for Medical Research has adopted a mandatory initial and on-going educational training program for laboratory safety and implementation of the NIH Guidelines for Research Involving Recombinant DNA Molecules

The NIH Guidelines require that institutions ensure appropriate training for laboratory staff regarding laboratory safety and implementation of the NIH Guidelines.

The training is offered through the Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI). CITI is a subscription online service providing education in various aspects of research. There are several groups to choose from as outlined below.

Courses are divided into 6 groups (see below) and are available at: www.citiprogram.org

ALL laboratory personnel must take Group 1 and Group 3. You must take Groups 2, Group 4 and/or Group 5 when it relates to your research.

**Group 1** Biosafety for All Laboratory Personnel – ALL laboratory personnel must take this course.

**Group 2** Animal Bisoafety for Animal Researchers – required only for personnel who work with animals.

**Group 3** OSHA Annual Bloodborne pathogen Training – ALL laboratory personnel must take this course.

**Group 4** Select Agents for Researchers – required only for personnel who work with select agents

**Group 5** Nanotechnology for Researchers – required only for personnel who work with nanotechnology.

Research personnel at LIMR are required to take courses annually.

Please follow this link to register for CITI educational program: www.citiprogram.org.

NOTE: If you have taken a CITI course in the past, please do not register as a “first time user”. You can access the courses with your existing user name and password. If you do not know your user name or password, please contact Dana LaRosa at 476-3983 or larosad@mlhs.org in the Office of Research Affairs.