UPDATED INFORMATIVE DIGEST 22 CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS

SECTION 12601. CLEAR AND REASONABLE WARNINGS

SECTIONS 12201. DEFINTIONS

Warnings of exposures to chemicals above specified risk levels listed under the Act are required to be given before the exposure occurs without qualification. In practice, there are emergency situations in which prior notification by the person responsible for the exposure is not possible. The proposed amendment to Section 12601 is modified to state that under specified emergency circumstances the accepted practice of obtaining a patient's informed consent will be deemed to comply with the clear and reasonable warning requirement. OEHHA also proposes to adopt several new definitions in Section 12201 for "emergency or urgent medical or dental care," "medical personnel," "dental personnel," and "certified emergency medical personnel." The proposed amendments to Section 12201 are modified to make less ambiguous which job types are included within the personnel definitions. These definitions are related to the clarifying provisions regarding informed consent as discussed above.