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Students, Faculty, Staff, Principal Investigators, Researchers, and all laboratory personnel:

This UMSL Laboratory Safety Plan is part of a program designed to make our laboratories safer for everybody. It provides the minimum standards for laboratory personnel using chemicals, potentially infectious or any potentially hazardous materials or equipment. It contains general lab safety practices as well as specific information for the safe handling, storage, and disposal for several types of materials. It also includes first aid, emergency response procedures, training requirements, and responsibilities for laboratory personnel.

The Principal Investigator or Laboratory Manager should fill out the “Lab Safety Plan Owner’s Page,” and keep a printed copy available in their laboratory. They should also have all students and researchers fill out and sign the “Lab Safety Plan Awareness Certification” page after reading the plan.

My expectation is that all laboratory personnel will read the plan and comply with the portions that apply to them, and to their laboratory. Please contact the Environmental, Health & Safety Department with any concerns, suggested changes or additions, or questions.

It is my sincere hope that all UMSL personnel will make safety a high priority and do their utmost to keep our laboratories a safe place to work and learn.

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