

Health Surveillance

Frequently Asked Questions

Several of my staff belong to another University with which I collaborate, do they require to undergo health surveillance?

No, non University of Glasgow staff / students should undergo health surveillance via the Occupational Health Unit of their own establishment

I have been advised staff / postgraduate students should not be allowed to continue working with respiratory sensitisers until clearance is provided from the Occupational Health Unit, do we need to stop ongoing work until this is done?

PIs need to be aware that if a fit form is not received from the Occupational Health Unit for a member of staff, they cannot be considered fit to continue working with respiratory sensitisers and it is the responsibility of the PI under COSHH to ensure this situation is resolved ASAP.

New staff/students should not commence work until health surveillance is carried out.

Does each individual require a risk assessment form?

No. One form will cover groups of people carrying out the same activity. If a new person joins the group, the risk assessment form should be resubmitted to the Occupational Health Unit with that additional name.

Where can I find the risk assessments?

For animal work, the risk assessment required is the one relevant to the Project Licence you are working on and will be available from the holder of the PPL or the relevant animal unit. For all other work you need to understand how workers are exposed and to how much before you can decide if you need to do anything to reduce their exposure. For further information please see 'A Brief Guide to COSHH' PDF.