**Annual Skin Health Surveillance**

**Who should complete this annual health screening?**

Work-related skin problems are very common. They can happen in most workplaces although they happen more in certain high-risk jobs.

If your work involves regular glove wearing and frequent hand washing and/or food or chemical handling, early reporting of skin problems affecting your face, arms or hands to your line manager is advised. Your line manager will then complete a management referral

Prolonged or frequent contact with water, particularly in combination with soaps and detergents, can cause dermatitis. 'Wet work' is the term used to describe tasks in the workplace that can cause this.

You must inform your manager, if on visible inspection of your exposed skin if you have evidence of any of the following:

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| **Are you experiencing any of the following symptoms** | **Yes** | **No** |
| Redness |  |  |
| Dryness (not normal for your skin presentation) |  |  |
| Cracked or open skin |  |  |
| Blistering |  |  |
| Rash |  |  |

If you respond **`YES`** to any of the above questions you need to inform your manager who will complete a referral to Occupational Health and Wellbeing (https://auh.cohort.hosting/Cohort10/LogOn.aspx).

[Skin contact - Distance your skin from chemicals and wet work (hse.gov.uk)](https://www.hse.gov.uk/skin/posters/distance.pdf)