

## Legionella Awareness.





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Legionnaires' disease (also called legionellosis) is an infection caused by a bacterium called legionella. There are two types of illness which can develop after being infected with this bacterium:

Legionnaires' disease. This causes a lung infection (pneumonia). It is usually a severe illness which is sometimes fatal.

Pontiac fever. This occurs when the bacteria cause a flu-like illness. It is not usually serious.

Susceptible Groups, which are most likely to contract Legionnaires disease are: smokers, alcoholics, diabetics, people taking immuno-suppressant drugs, people with cancer or chronic respiratory or kidney disease, and those aged over 45 years.

## Who is this training for?

Legionnaires Disease is caused by warm aerosol producing systems. So any working establishment that do have a warm aerosol producing system(s) then this course applies to them.

What does the course cover?

This covers what exactly legionnaires' disease. Why it is considered as a dangerous illness and what can cause someone to be exposed to this illness. What precautions to take to ensure that people are not exposed to the potentially deadly bacteria that is "Legionella".

What is the benefit to your business?

This course is straight to the point, what is Legionella, the dangers associated with Legionella. This course will save users time to getting training done effectively and be able to continue work knowing the importance of Legionella.







Interactive games.



Final exam - certificates provided.

"With Legionnaires' disease it:

Is a type of pneumonia;

Affects around 5% of those exposed to the bacterium;

There is 2-10 days incubation where symptons start showing after being initially exposed;

Unfortunately Legionnaires' disease can kill, Fatality rates are 1 in 8 of affected

people (12%) die."

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