

# Occupational Health and Safety Working with Swine

When working with swine, you should be familiar with the following safe practices and potential health risks:

## Staying Healthy

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animal or anything that t  
washing your hands.  
animals' saliva, urine, and/o  
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## **Campylobacteriosis**

Organisms of the genus *Campylobacter* have been recognized as a leading cause of diarrhea in humans and animals in recent years. Numerous cases involving the zoonotic transmission of the organisms in laboratory animals have been described. Young animals readily acquire the infection and shed the organism. Young animals often are implicated as the source of zoonotic transmission.

The organism is transmitted by the fecal-oral route via contaminated food or water, or by direct contact with infected animals.

*Campylobacter* produces an acute gastrointestinal illness, which, in most cases