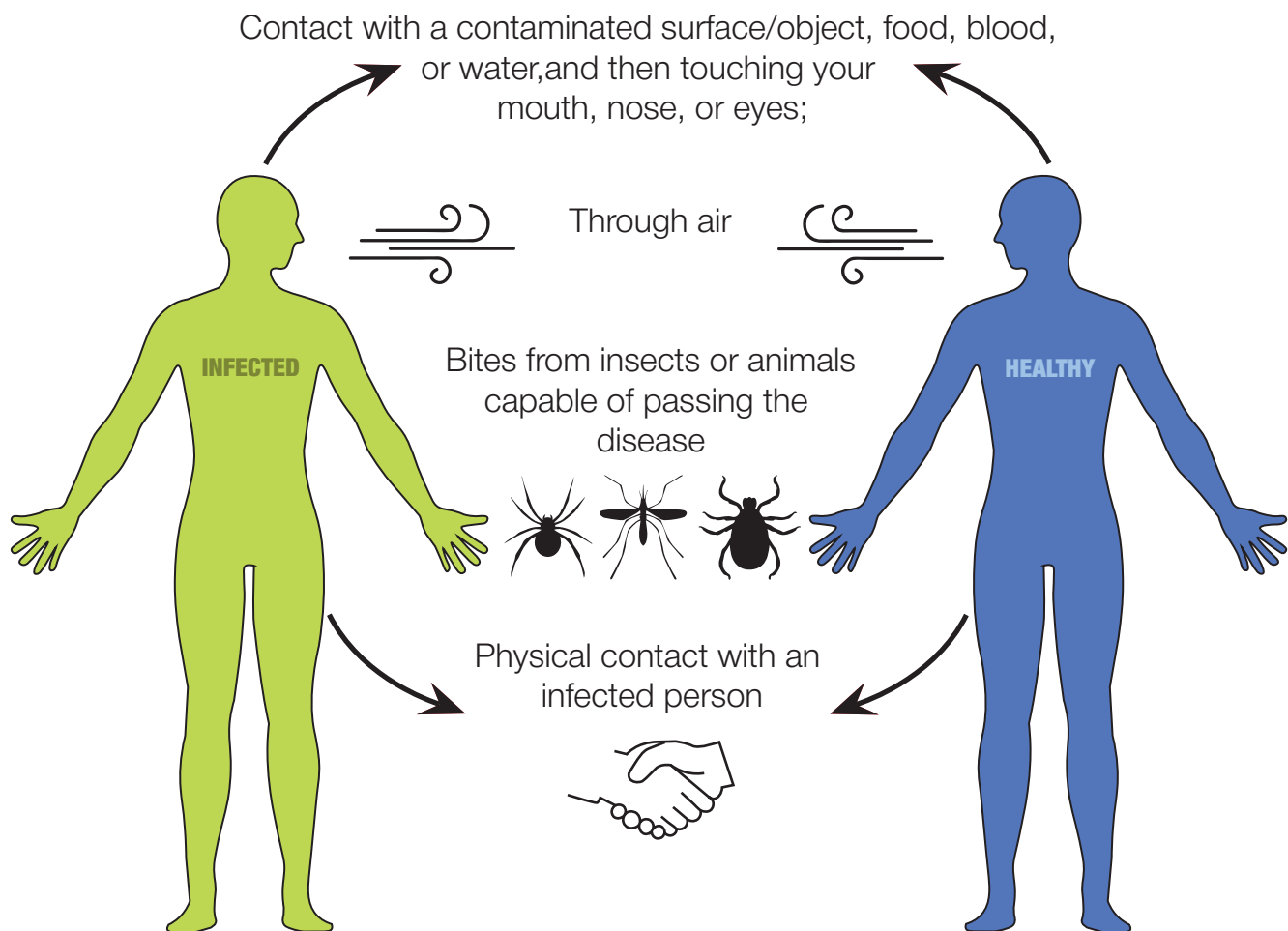


HOW COMMUNICABLE DISEASES SPREAD

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Communicable diseases, also known as **infectious or transmissible diseases**, are diseases that spread from one person to another. They are caused by germs like bacteria, viruses, fungi, parasites, or toxins.

Germs that may cause communicable diseases are spread in a number of ways including:



There are many examples of communicable diseases, such as COVID-19, human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), hepatitis A, B, and C, influenza, measles, or pneumonia.

Some communicable diseases require reporting to local health departments or government agencies in the event of an outbreak in the workplace.

It is important to understand the control and prevention of communicable diseases within your workplace and/or community.