PROCEDURE
Corewell Health East - Approval of Blood Product Labels - Blood Bank - Troy

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Corewell Health Beaumont Troy Hospital

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Functional Area: Clinical Operations, Laboratory

Lab Department Area: Lab - Blood Bank

1. Principle

A. The Blood Bank must use a documented process to approve the content and use of all new blood product labels, including inspection for acceptable label content. This document provides the Blood Bank staff with instructions for inspecting and approving all blood product labels as they are received from the manufacturer.
B. This document applies to all blood product labels (except Rad-Sure® tags) that are received from the manufacturer.
    1. For example: CMV negative stickers, HgbS negative stickers, ABO tags, ABO stickers, etc.
C. This document does not apply to blood product labels that are created and printed at this facility.
D. As all other blood product labels (besides Rad-Sure® tags) are received from the manufacturer they must be inspected for content, legibility, color, etc. This inspection is documented on Transfusion Medicine Log, Blood Product Label Inspection Log.

2. Responsibility

Personnel who have completed the competency requirements will perform these tasks.

3. Definitions

1. CMV: Cytomegalovirus
2. HgbS: Hemoglobin S

4. Procedure

1. Obtain the Blood Product Label Inspection Log, located in the *Label Log* binder.
2. Document the log with the receipt date and the number of rolls or sheets and affix a label to the log.
3. Inspect the label for content, legibility, and color by comparing the label affixed to the log to the actual label.
4. Document the inspection as S (satisfactory) or U (unsatisfactory).
5. Document the log with the technologist's initials and the inspection date.

5. Limitations

1. Unsatisfactory Label Inspection

a. If the inspection of any blood product label is unsatisfactory, the label may not be used and appropriate actions must be taken.
b. Submit a variance report.
c. Notify the Lead Medical Technologist or the Supervisor. The Lead Medical Technologist or the Supervisor will notify the manufacturer and request a replacement.

6. Revisions

Corewell Health reserves the right to alter, amend, modify or eliminate this document at any time without prior written notice.

7. References

A. AABB, Standards for Blood banks and Transfusion Medicine, current edition.
B. AABB, Technical Manual, current edition.

8. Procedure Development and Approval

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