TRAINING UPDATE

Lab Location: All Sites **Department:** Blood Bank

Date Implemented: Due Date:

5/22/24 6/30/24

DESCRIPTION OF PROCEDURE REVISION

Name of procedure:

Blood Bank Critical Values

Description of change(s):

We will be maintaining the way we currently report critical values. This includes using the name of the person to which we are reporting the critical value. At a minimum, the name will include the first initial and full last name. Full first name and full last name are also permitted.

Background:

AHC had asked us to report using the employee ID instead of the name. However, this decision was reconsidered and it was decided we should continue using the name as we always have.

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1. PURPOSE

To define the process for identifying, communicating, and documenting critical values in the blood bank.

2. SCOPE

Blood bank staff members will call critical values to the charge nurse, nurse caring for the patient, or a physician based on the results of certain blood bank tests that are important for prompt patient management. Notification is expected to be completed within one hour.

3. RESPONSIBILITY

All blood bank staff members must understand and adhere to this procedure for identifying, communicating, and documenting critical values.

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4. **DEFINITIONS**

Critical Value - potentially life threatening result for a specific laboratory test

5. PROCEDURE

Step	Action
1	 The following have been defined as critical values for blood bank: A. Blood products not available due to antibody problems or insufficient stock of compatible blood products. B. Positive antibody screen that will delay transfusion more than 2 hours from the time an antibody is detected (positive screen). C. Any suspected hemolytic transfusion reaction. D. A positive DAT (direct antiglobulin test) on a transfusion reaction investigation if pre-transfusion DAT was negative or a DAT demonstrating a stronger positive result than the pre-transfusion specimen. E. A positive DAT on a neonate.
2	When a critical value is noted, it will be called to the charge nurse, nurse caring for the patient, or a physician within 1 hour.
3	Ask the person receiving the critical value to read back the value to ensure accurate transfer of verbal information.
4	Document the name of the person called (first initial and last name at a minimum) and time of notification in the LIS. A. Access the patient and test for which the critical value was called in Sunquest function Blood Order Processing. B. At the "Add Spec Test" prompt, type "w" (shift + W) or ";BBCALL" and "Tab." C. In the "Called to" area, type ";CBACK" and press the "Tab" key. D. On the next line, type ";," (two semicolons) and free text the following information: a. Critical value called b. Name of person called to c. Time called For example, "DAT called to J.Doe, RN at 1158." E. Click the "Save" button.
5	All questionable orders, test results, or clinical situations should be brought to the Medical Director/On-call Pathologist's attention for resolution. All interactions, advice and instructions from the Medical Director / On-call Pathologist must be documented on the "Pathologist Consultation Form" and in the Communication Log.

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6. RELATED DOCUMENTS

SOP: Blood Bank Shift-to-Shift Communication Log

7. REFERENCES

N/A

8. REVISION HISTORY

Version	Date	Reason for Revision	Revised By	Approved By
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2	11.29.16	Header: add WAH	LBarrett	NCacciabeve
3	8.30.21	Header: Changed WAH to WOMC, added FWMC Footer: Updated prefix to AHC	LBarrett	NCacciabeve
4	3.15.24	Added AHC Employee ID as acceptable documentation for critical value notification	SCodina	NCacciabeve
5	5.17.24	Removed AHC Employee ID as acceptable documentation for critical value notification	SCodina	NCacciabeve

9. ADDENDA AND APPENDICES

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