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WOMC Blood Bank

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#### **DESCRIPTION OF PROCEDURE REVISION**

## Name of procedure:

## **Issuing Blood Components**

## **Description of change(s):**

When performing the readback at the time of issue,

- Blood bank staff read from the "Request for Transfusion" form
- Nursing staff read from the blood product
- The "Request for Transfusion" form should be held so nursing staff cannot see the information

This change was written into the procedure following and FDA-reportable event that occurred where the tech laid the blood products and the issue form on the counter during readback. Both the RN and the BB tech read from the paper and missed an error on each of the blood products.

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#### 1. PURPOSE

To describe the process for issuing blood and blood products.

#### 2. SCOPE

All allocated and crossmatched blood products will be issued and dispensed per this procedure. Refer to procedure, "Emergency Release of Blood Products" for emergency release instructions.

#### 3. RESPONSIBILITY

The blood bank staff members must understand and adhere to this procedure when issuing blood products for transfusion.

#### 4. **DEFINITIONS**

A. Blood Product Label - The label on the actual blood product that contains the unit number, product code, expiration date, and special attributes. This label is attached

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when the blood product arrives from the supplier and remains attached to the blood product through final disposition.

B. Patient/Unit Label - The white label that is printed by the blood bank and attached to a blood product when the blood product is allocated or crossmatched. This label contains information about recipient (name, MRN, BB number, birthdate, ABO/Rh, and crossmatch results) and the donor unit (unit number/DIN, expiration date and time, volume, ABO/Rh, and attributes).

#### 5. PROCEDURE

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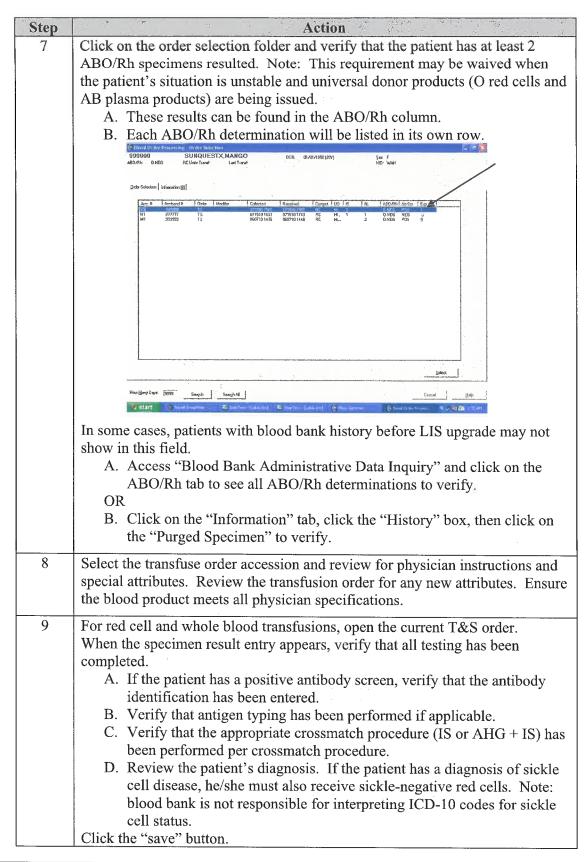
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Step	Action
3	Access Sunquest function "Blood Order Processing."
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4	At the "value" prompt, scan in the patient's medical record number from the "Request for Transfusion" form then click the "search: button.
	Note: The medical record number may be typed in only when there is no barcode to scan or when the barcode is damaged or will not read.
5	If more than one patient exists with the same medical record number, choose the correct patient from the pop-up menu then click the "select" button.
6	A "Blood Bank Administrative Data" screen will appear. Verify that the patient's full name and medical record number match the full name and medical record number on the "Request for Transfusion" form exactly.
	Review the screen for pertinent data such as:  A. Blood type B. Current or clinically significant antibodies C. Blood bank armband number
	Note: If present, linked and/or archived data will appear first. Click demographics to see current data.
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	Click on the "Search All" button.

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Step	Action
10	A pop-up box will appear:  "Continue to Blood Product Issue? Issue, Emergency, No, Help"  Click on the "Issue" option.
11	The computer will branch to "Blood Product Issue."  Note: If the patient has linked data, a prompt "View Linked Data" will appear.  A. Click the "Yes" button.  B. View the linked data.  C. Click the "Unit Issue" tab to return to the issue screen.
12	<ul> <li>Retrieve the requested blood product from the appropriate blood product storage container.</li> <li>A. Bring the request form with you to ensure retrieval of the correct blood product for the correct patient.</li> <li>B. Ensure the patient's name and MRN on the blood product match the patient name and MRN on the request form.</li> <li>C. Ensure that the blood product you are retrieving matches the blood product that was requested. Clarify information with nursing staff if necessary.</li> <li>D. Always select autologous units first, directed donor units second, and homologous units last.</li> <li>E. Choose units with shorter expiration dates first.</li> </ul>
13	At the "Unit Number" prompt, scan the unit number from the blood product label. The unit number will only be typed in when the barcode is unreadable.  Then, at the "Component" prompt, scan the E code from the donor unit.
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	Note:  1. Blood products for more than one patient will never be issued to the same pickup person at the same time.

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Step	Action
	<ol> <li>Under normal circumstances, only 1 unit of a blood product will be issued at a time. Two units may be issued for a single patient at one time if any of the following apply:         <ul> <li>A. The units will both be transfused at the same time due to the patient's medical condition and the patient has 2 IV access sites; one for each unit to be issued.</li> <li>B. The patient is being transfused during renal dialysis. Two units of red blood cells may be issued to renal dialysis at one time.</li> <li>C. The blood products are being issued in a blood product transport cooler. This is preferred when issuing to the OR.</li> <li>D. Two units of plasma may be issued at one time if they will be transfused within the 4-hour timeframe.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Multiple products may be issued for one patient if the patient is undergoing an apheresis or exchange procedure provided the products are issued in a transport cooler.</li> </ol>
14	Verify the E code and description on the blood product label are correct and all blood component preparation functions have been completed.
15	Verify that the unit meets all patient transfusion requirements.    The State   Sun (Custom State   Sun (C

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Step	Action
16	Perform a visual inspection of the blood product. Appearances that would suggest the blood product should be quarantined include:  A. Segments that appear lighter or darker in color than the primary bag contents  B. Hemolysis  C. Purple color to red cells  D. Clots  E. White particulate matter in the primary container  F. Supernatant fluid that is discolored from normal appearance  G. Gross lipemia  H. Foreign objects in the primary container or ports  I. Fluorescent green-colored plasma caused by bacterial contamination (green-colored plasma as a result of biliverdin or birth-control pills is acceptable)  J. Dark green-brown-colored plasma due to liver or pancreatic disease.
17	At the "Vis Insp" prompt, select one of the following:  A. Click "Pass All" if all units being issued pass the visual inspection.  B. Click "Inspect Unit" if any of the units fail visual inspection.  a. Quarantine and DO NOT ISSUE any blood product that does not pass the visual inspection.  b. Notify a supervisor and return the blood product to the blood supplier.  Click "Continue" to access the date and time prompts.
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18	At the "date" and "time" prompts, press the "tab" key to default the current date and time. Type in a date in time if the issue time does not match the current time (as after a computer downtime). Review the entry to ensure the correct issue date and time are documented.
19	The "issue location" will default to the location at which the patient is registered.

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Step	Action
20	At the "issued to" prompt, type the identity of the person picking up the blood product using one of the following and press the "tab" key:  A. First initial and last name (such as JDoe)  B. First and last initials and title (such as JDRN)  C. Tube station location if the blood product is being sent via pneumatic tube (example = TUBE15)
21	At the "issue comments" prompt, type:  A. "IICE" if the blood products were issued in a blood product transport cooler.  B. "IOR" if the blood products were issued to OR.
22	Perform the readback process per appendix A or B.
23	Press the "save" button.
<b></b> ∆ E	nd Critical Step
25	Place the blood product in a sealed plastic bag for transport through the hospital.
26	If the unit is sent via pneumatic tube, the person removing the blood product from the tube station will complete the information on the yellow copy of the Request for Transfusion form and return the form to the blood bank within 15 minutes.
27	If the blood product was double-crossmatched, discard the patient/unit label for the other patient and crossmatch additional blood products if indicated.

## Sending Via Pneumatic Tube

Step	Action
1	Place the blood product in a sealed ziplock bag then place into a tube carrier. Only one unit of blood product may be shipped at a time. If more than one blood product must be tubed, each unit should be sent in a different carrier.
2	Separate the two copies of the Request for Transfusion form.  A. Place the top (white) copy in the appropriate bin.  B. Place the second (yellow) copy in the tube carrier. Do not place the paper in the sealed bag with the blood product.
3	Close the carrier securely. Ensure that nothing is protruding from the closed carrier to include edges of the paper or plastic bag.
4	Place the carrier upright on the metal arm.
5	Verify the display shows "Station On" or "Ready."

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Step	Action
6	Press "Clear" or "Standard Send."
7	Use the keypad to enter the desired station number and press the "Send" key.
8	Verify on the display that the carrier has been transported to the appropriate station. The carrier should be delivered to the correct station within 5 minutes.
9	<ul> <li>The clinical staff member who retrieves the component from the pneumatic tube station is responsible for completion of the Request for Transfusion form.</li> <li>A. He/she will write the date and time that the blood product was received and sign the form.</li> <li>B. The form will be sent via pneumatic tube to the blood bank.</li> <li>Blood bank staff will match it to the white copy of the form and file it in the appropriate box.</li> </ul>
10	Contact the patient care area if the completed "Request for Transfusion" form is not returned to the blood bank within 15 minutes. Follow-up routinely until the form is returned.

### **Downtime Process**

Step	Action			
1	The "Downtime Blood Administration" form is used during periods of computer downtime.			
2	If Sunquest is up, print a patient/unit label for the blood product and place it in the box in the upper, left-hand corner of the form.			
	If Sunquest is down, legibly handwrite the following information in the appropriate boxes on the form:			
	A. Recipient's full name			
	B. Recipient's medical record number			
	C. Recipient's blood bank number			
	D. Recipient's birthdate			
	E. Recipient's ABO/Rh			
	F. Results of crossmatch testing			
	G. Donor ID (DIN/unit number)			
	H. Unit expiration date and time			
	I. Unit ABO/Rh			
	J. Unit Attributes			
3	At the time of issue, legibly handwrite the following information on the form:			
	A. Date and time of issue			
	B. Person/pneumatic tube issued to			
	C. Visual inspection of the blood product			
4	Nursing staff will document the transfusion on the form and scan into the			
	electronic medical record.			

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#### 6. RELATED DOCUMENTS

Form: Request for Transfusion

Form: Downtime Blood Administration form SOP: Emergency Release of Blood Products SOP: Entering Special Attributes into the LIS

SOP: Crossmatch

SOP: SOP: Issuing Blood Products in a Max+ Blood Shipper

SOP: Quarantine of Blood Products

#### 7. REFERENCES

1. Standards for Blood Banks and Transfusion Services, current edition. AABB Publishing, Bethesda, Maryland.

#### 8. REVISION HISTORY

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001	2.15.2012	Section 5, step 7: Added instructions to search for historical ABO/Rh data.  Section 5, step 8: Added requirements to review testing prior to issuing rbcs  Section 5, step 10: Added instructions for linked data  Section 5, step 11: Added requirement to ensure correct blood product for correct patient  Section 5, step 17: Added step  Section 5, step 24: Added step  Section 9: Added Appendix A	S Codina	Dr Cacciabeve
002	8.29.13	Section 5: Reworded billing section for clarity Section 9: updated photo in appendix A for ISBT labeling, added instructions to manually document visual inspection and issue process in case LIS issue is not captured.	S Codina	Dr Cacciabeve
003	2.26.15	Sections 4, 5, 6: Removed references to the Blood Bank Product Tag and Administration Record and replaced with patient/unit label.  Section 5: Added sending via pneumatic tube for both SGMC and WAH. Added references to the "Downtime Blood Administration" form. Added downtime process.  Footer: Version # leading zeros dropped due to new EDCS in use as of 10/7/13.	S Codina	Dr Cacciabeve

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6	2.11.20	Header: Changed WAH to WOMC Section 5: QA failures from testing will no longer need to be overridden at issue. Removed from SOP. Removed references to 930 transport cooler and replaced with transport cooler. Section 6: Updated documents Section 7: Updated references	S Codina	Dr Cacciabeve
7	9.18.20	Section 9: Updated Appendices A & B to require readback of expiration date and time	SCodina	N Cacciabeve
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.9	9.7.23	Updated the definition of blood product label for clarity. Added clarification that only 1 copy of the request form is needed if the unit is not issued via pneumatic tube. Updated references.	SCodina	NCacciabeve
10	3.21.25	Removed neonatal billing; this is no longer done at issue. Added instructions to readback process to shield the request form to ensure the pickup person reads from the unit label.	SCodina	NCacciabeve

### 9. ADDENDA AND APPENDICES

- A. Read Back Process for Issuing Blood Products with a Pickup Person
- B. Read Bank Process for Issuing Blood Products when using the Pneumatic Tube

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## Appendix A Read Back Process for Issuing Blood Products with a Pickup Person

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<ol> <li>The blood bank staff will read of the "Request for Transfusion" form and the person picking up should read off the unit. Ensure the request form is not visible to the person picking up the blood product to ensure they</li> </ol>				
read from the blood product.				
	The blood bank staff member	s should prompt the picku	p person what to read off.	For example, "Read me
t	he patient's full name."			
Step	Pick-Up Person	BB Tech	BB Tech	Pick-Up Person
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	label	read	_/	read
	Reads the recipient's	Verifies the blood bank	Reads the recipient's	Verifies the blood bank
3	blood bank armband	armband number on	blood bank armband	armband number on the
	number from the	the request form as it	number from the	Patient/Unit label as it is
	Patient/Unit label	is read	request form	read
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4	Reads the unit number	Verifies the unit	Reads the unit number	Verifies the unit number
	from the Patient/Unit	number on the blood	from the blood product	on the Patient/Unit label
	label	product label as it is	label	as it is read
	1.2	read		
5	Reads the expiration	Verifies the expiration		
	date and time from the	date and time on the		
1	Patient/Unit label	blood product label as		
		it is read		
		Notes the unit blood		
6	Reads the patient blood	type and Rh on the		
	type and Rh from the	blood product label		
	black side Patient/Unit label	and verifies the product group and type		
	label	is compatible with the		
1		patient's group and		
		type as it is read		
			Points to the type of	Verifies that the product
			blood product being	requested is the product
7			requested then show	being issued
			the pick-up person that	9
			the correct type of blood	
			product was issued by	
			pointing to the product description.	
			Points to the labeling on	Verify that special
			the unit that	attributes ordered are
8			demonstrates the	being honored
			patient's special attributes have been	$\Box$
			honored when	
			applicable based on LIS	
			info and paper request.	

Resolve any discrepancies before issuing the blood product.

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## Appendix B Read Back Process for Issuing Blood Products when using the Pneumatic Tube

1	Compare the recipient's full name on the Request for Transfusion form to the name on the
	Patient/Unit Label to ensure they match exactly.
2	Compare the recipient's medical record number on the Request for Transfusion form to the medical record number on the Patient/Unit Label to ensure they match exactly.
3	Compare the recipient's blood bank armband number on the Request for Transfusion form to the blood bank armband number on the Patient/Unit Label to ensure they match exactly.
4	Compare the unit number on the blood product label to the unit number on the Patient/Unit Label to ensure they match exactly.
5	Compare the expiration date and time on the blood product label matches the expiration date and time listed on the patient/unit label and verifies the expiration date/time have not been exceeded.
6	Compare the blood group and type on the blood product label to the blood group and type on the Patient/Unit label to ensure the product is compatible with the recipient blood type.
7	Verify the product requested on the Request for Transfusion form is the product being issued.
8	Verify all special attributes have been honored.
9	Resolve any discrepancies before issuing the blood product.

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3 Blood Components	Replace table of contents	
3 Blood Components	SGAH.BB92 Red Blood Cell Aliquot Preparation (SGMC only)	Add version 7.0 of this document to the manual.
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- AHC.BB74 Plasma for Transfusion (version 6.0)
- AHC.BB88 Platelets for Transfusion (version 8.0)
- AHC.BB72 Cryoprecipitate for Transfusion (version 3.0)
- AHC.BB38 Whole Blood for Transfusion (version 2.0)
- SGAH.BB37 Granulocytes for Transfusion (version 3.0)
- AHC.BB63 Washed Red Blood Cells for Transfusion (version 3.0)
- AHC BB57 Red Blood Cell Transfusion in Sickle Cell Disease (version 5.0)
- AHC.BB03 Component Selection to Reduce the Risk of Transfusion Associated CMV (Cytomegalovirus) Disease (version 6.0)
- AHC.BB876 HLA-Matched Platelet Products (version 4.0)
- AHC.BB875 Crossmatched Platelet Products (version 4.0)
- AHC.BB873 Allocation of Autologous Blood Products (version 3.0)
- AHC.BB87 Therapeutic Phlebotomy: Disposal and Documentation (version 4.0)
- SGAH.BB92 Red Blood Cell Aliquot Preparation (SGMC only) (version 7.0)
- SGAH.BB108 Platelet Aliquot Preparation (SGMC only) (version 8.0)
- SGAH.BB146 Plasma Aliquot Preparation (SGMC only) (version 6.0)
- SGAH.BB877 Reconstituted Whole Blood Preparation for Neonatal Exchange Transfusion (SGMC only) (version 3.0)
- SGAH.BB106 Intrauterine Transfusion (IUT) SGMC only (version 2.0)
- WAH.BB88 Aliquot and Split Blood Product Preparation (WOMC only) (version 1.0)
- WAH.BB69 Neonatal Exchange Transfusion (WOMC only) (version 4.0)
- SGMC.BB 3000 Volume-Reduced Platelet Products (SGMC only) (version 1.0)