

BLOOD BANK SPECIMEN TRANSPORT TO SJMC

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PURPOSE

To describe the process for blood bank sample requirements and transport to SJMC

BACKGROUND

AABB requirements state that:

- Identifying information for the patient and the sample shall correspond and be confirmed at the time of collection using two independent identifiers.
- Completed label shall be affixed to the sample container before the person who obtained the sample leaves the side of the patient
- Identify the date and time of the sample collection and the individual(s) who collect the sample from the patient.

RELATED DOCUMENTS

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| M-W-TS-0511 | Preadmit & Outpatient Transfusions – Specimen Handling |
| M-F-TS-0511 | Preadmit Questions for Blood Bank Specimens Form |
| M-W-TS-0100 | Labeling Pre-Transfusion Samples |

STEPS

1. Labelled blood bank (pink tube) specimens for testing at SJMC must adhere to the following standards:
 - Minimum volume of a half full tube
 - It is an FDA regulatory requirement that date and initials will be recorded on the specimen prior to the phlebotomist leaving the patient’s bedside. Corrections later cannot be made. The specimen would have to be recollected.
 - To be included on the specimen tube:
 - Legible patient name
 - Date of birth
 - Medical Record #
 - Date and time of collection. We require the time of collection in the blood bank to distinguish between multiple sample recollections of the patient on the same day.
 - Clearly written initials or Tech ID of the phlebotomist
 - Until May 1, 2017 a Blood ID Band is required
2. Receive specimen into your hospital lab in Beaker
3. Create an SJMC Blood Bank Packing List and scan the specimen barcodes to add the specimens to the list.

4. Send a packing list to **SJMC Blood Bank**
 - After adding all the appropriate containers to a packing list, you need to indicate that the list is complete and that the associated containers are ready for pickup
 - **Click Ready** when the list is complete
 - **Click Picked Up**
 - Send the printed Packing list with the specimen to SJMC

6. Specimens will be received into Beaker by the SJMC Clinical Lab and then auto-sent to SJMC Blood Bank

REFERENCES

AABB Standards for Blood Banks and Transfusion Services, current edition

AABB Technical Manual, current edition