**Blood Product Issuing**

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1. **A correct and complete Blood Product Release Form is required every time crossmatched blood is issued.**
2. **A correct and complete Blood Product Release Form is also required for the OR every time they come to get crossmatched blood, they can no longer tube down a release form.**
3. **A Blood Product Release Form cannot be tubed down from any floor.**
4. **The minimum required information on the Blood Product Release Form:**
   1. Patient’s First and Last Name
   2. Patient’s Medical Record Number
   3. Patient’s Armband Number (for RBC’s)
5. **Uncrossmatched (Trauma) Blood must be issued in an emergency in the following situations:**
   1. No current type and screen
   2. No or incorrect Blood Product Release Form
6. **Trauma RBCs are only O NEG or O POS RBCs. No other blood type can be given as uncrossmatched (trauma) blood.**
7. **NEVER issue any blood without a transfusion tag. This includes Plasma, Platelets, Cryo and RBC’s. A complete, correct and attached transfusion tag is necessary in EVERY situation including uncrossmatched (trauma) units.**
8. **If the armband number on the Blood Product Release From is incorrect, missing or unreadable the person coming to get blood must go back to the patient and get a correct armband number sticker from the patient or write the correct armband number on the form.**
9. **We cannot pre-issue blood. You must wait to issue until you have the Blood Product Release Form.**