**Blood Product Issuing**

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1. **A correct and complete Blood Product Release Form is required when crossmatched blood is issued.**
2. **In an emergency you can issue crossmatched blood without a Blood Product Release Form as long as you have the minimum required information:**
   1. **Patient’s First and Last Name**
   2. **Patient’s MR#**
   3. **Patient’s Typenex number**
3. **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.**
4. **A Blood Product Release Form cannot be tubed down from any floor.**
5. **Uncrossmatched (Trauma) Blood must be issued in an emergency in the following situations:**
   1. No current type and screen
   2. No minimum required information
6. **Trauma RBCs are only O NEG or O POS RBCs. No other blood type can be given as uncrossmatched (trauma) blood.**
7. **Trauma FFP are only A or AB. No other FFP can be given as uncrossmatched (trauma) FFP,**
8. **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.**
9. **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.**
10. **We cannot pre-issue blood. You must wait to issue until you have the Blood Product Release Form.**
11. **Except in an emergency, issue crossmatch units with the person coming to pick up the blood. In an emergency you can issue by yourself.**
12. **The consent form is not required to issue blood to any unit of the hospital. We do strongly request the consent form be brought to us but it is not required.**