**Staff Meeting 6.17.22**

1. **Rh discrepancy – Partial D on female patient of childbearing age:**

* When patient is a **female** of childbearing age with any of the following, result the patient as Rh negative.
  + Weak D
  + Partial D/D variant
* It is important to result the patient as Rh negative even when you see reactivity with Anti-D as patient will still be considered as Rhogam candidate.

1. **Short date units:**

* If units are found to be on USR report, please place a short date unit sticker on each unit and place them in the front on the top shelf of the refrigerator.

1. **Crossmatch sticker on the back of the unit:**

* When crossmatching blood, please remember to peel the sticker and place it on the back of the unit **BEFORE** tagging the unit with the transfusion record.

1. **Low Supply:**

* When opening second to the last box of supply, please notify the lead tech or a supervisor so that it allows us enough time to place an order and for it to arrive by the time you need additional supply.

1. **Assign Ag negative RBCs:**

* When **extra** RBCs are received for a specific patient, assign units to the patient rather than just leaving them on the shelf in an available status.
  + This will stop others to investigate if the patient is still in house and/or needs additional products before using for another patient.
  + This also helps others look up any assigned units in PPI so that when order comes, they can use that instead of ordering from ARC.

1. **Releasing antigen negative products after crossmatch has expired:**

* When returning antigen negative products after crossmatch has expired, please keep them assigned to the patient so if a new T&S is received, blood can be located easily for re-crossmatch.