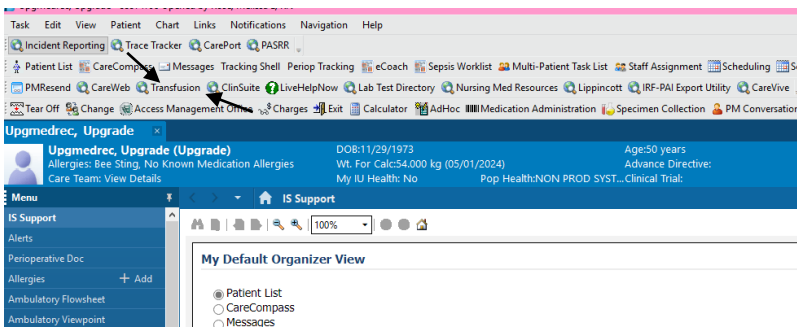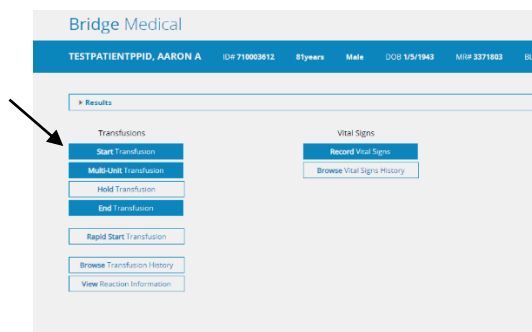# Blood Bridge is now live!

Getting Started:

To begin your transfusion documentation, go to the transfusion link in your toolbar. This will take you to the home page of Bridge. Immediately scan your patient's wristband to get started.



When you have your blood product in hand, select Start Transfusion.



After filling in prechecks, Bridge will have you begin scanning the crossmatch tag and product labels. The scans will go in the following order:

1. Crossmatch Tag (Aztec Barcode)
2. Unit Number on the Product Bag (Top left)
3. Blood Product (Bottom Left)
4. Expiration Date (Bottom Right)
5. Donor Blood Type (Top Right)

Continue to follow the Bridge prompts for documenting. 15 Minute Vitals can be added via the Record Vitals Button (1). When the transfusion is complete, select End Transfusion (2) to complete your documentation.
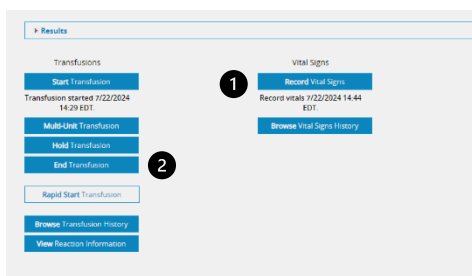
Additional Tips and Tricks:

Reaction Information can be found outside the workflow for viewing via the View Reaction Information
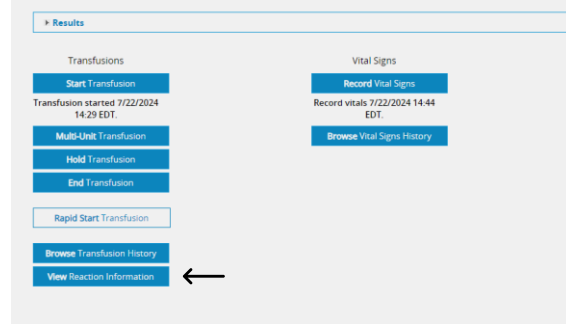


All information documented within Bridge will transfer over to Powerchart and can be found in Results Review. The volumes recorded will be documented in the I/Os.



Additional Points:

1. If your patient is transferring to an area without a scanner or is out of scope, end the transfusion in Bridge and make note of the transfer in the comments section. The out of scope area should contact Blood Bank for the appropriate form.
2. If your patient is transferring somewhere and receiving a new FIN with a transfusion started on the original FIN, keep the armband on the patient in order to finish the transfusion documentation in Bridge. Bridge does not allow manual input of patient information therefore scanning an armband is the only way to access the patient's transfusion information.
3. If your patient is transferred to you with a transfusion already in place from a location that used paper, you may continue the documentation on paper. Be sure to make a copy for the patient's chart and return the original to Blood Bank.
4. MTPs and Emergent Transfusions using uncrossmatched products are not in scope and should continue using the paper documentation provided by Blood Bank.

For assistance with Blood Bridge, contact:

- 8/19/2024 – 8/25/2024: Go-Live Command Center
- After 8/25/2024: IU Health HelpDesk or your local Clinical Informatics team