



Blood Management

Massive Transfusion (MT) and Emergency Release Blood

To Initiate a Massive Transfusion (This is a readiness order. Products will be sent when requested).

1. Call the blood bank and say “We are initiating a Massive Transfusion”. If blood is needed at bedside, inform the Blood Bank.
2. Send a release slip when you need blood. **Blood Bank CANNOT release blood without a release slip.**
3. Place Excellian Order: #30669 Massive (Critical) Transfusion.

To get Emergency Release (STAT) Blood (This is a STAT issue of blood).

1. Call the blood bank and say “We need Emergency Release Blood”.
2. Send a release slip. **Blood Bank CANNOT release blood without a release slip.**
3. Order RBC w or w/o Type and Screen (LAB6083X), if not already done.

The blood bank will send the O neg, type specific or crossmatch blood.

The type of product is determined by how much testing has been completed.

Place Patient Sticker Here Patient name and MRN		Special Needs: <input type="checkbox"/> Irradiated <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Autologous <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None	Donor Numbers (Lab use only):
100100000 Patient, Chart Label 12/24/1941 73y 7/23/2015	1	# Unit Product Type 8 Packed Cells	4
SafeMatch Armband # 01834	2	Platelet Pheresis	
Pneumatic Tube System (PTS) Transport		Plasma, Frozen/Thawed	
Location/Room #: 0R285	3	Cryoprecipitate	
Phone: 3-5185		Rh Immune Globulin	Lab use only: Date/Time Issued
Tube # (PTS#): 608		Other (list)	Cooler # A10015 5

Minimum information required on Blood Product Release slip:

Box 1: 2 patient identifiers (Name and MRN)

Box 2: Blood Tag number (Safematch armband number is needed for type specific and cross matched RBC)

Box 3: Patient Location and phone of staff who will number communicate with the blood bank

Box 4: Type and quantity of products you need

Box 5: Cooler number, if applicable

Designated Contact Person

- MT patients who are being transferred from one area of the hospital to another, may go into a “Black Hole” and become “lost” to the blood bank.
- In order to avoid blood products being sent to the wrong location, each MT will have a designated contact person.

Designated Contact Person responsibilities include:

- Carry a phone and be the direct contact person for the blood bank and pathologist during the massive transfusion episode until you turn the responsibility over to someone else
- Notify the Blood Bank whenever the patient changes locations
- Stay with the patient or know the patient’s location at all times