



DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSFUSION MEDICINE

ADULT BLOOD TRANSFUSION INTEGRATED CARE PATHWAY

Hospital:

Ward/Dept:

Consultant:

**THE FOLLOWING MUST BE CHECKED
BY THE INDIVIDUAL ADMINISTERING THE TRANSFUSION:**

Has informed consent been obtained and documented? Yes Date

This patient is unable to give consent.

Signature of prescribing clinician:

The clinician feels that blood transfusion is in the patient's best interest. Yes

Information leaflet given? Yes No

Hospital No.: **AFFIX**
Surname: **PATIENT**
Forenames: **LABEL HERE**
D.O.B.: _____ Gender: M / F
Address: _____

The expiry date of each unit for transfusion must be checked before administration

Patient's weight: _____ kg

For Bedside Administration, once you have confirmed positive patient identification and performed all blood component checks, you must use Bloodtrack Tx.

For Positive Patient Identification (PPI) you must ask the patient to state their full name and date of birth (whenever possible) and confirm this against the patient's ID band.

GIVING SETS MUST BE CHANGED AFTER 2 UNITS, OR 8 HOURS IF RAPIDLY TRANSFUSING MULTIPLE UNITS

BLOOD COMPONENTS MUST NOT BE MIXED WITH ANY OTHER SUBSTANCES, E.G. DRUGS, IV FLUIDS ETC

B L O O D C O M P O N E N T P R E S C R I P T I O N & A D M I N I S T R A T I O N C H A R T

Note: Some patients will require CMV negative and/or irradiated blood components. PLEASE SEE OVERLEAF.

Before administering a blood component it is vital for the safety of your patient to ensure that the special requirements section overleaf is fully completed.

DO NOT PROCEED WITHOUT FIRST CHECKING THIS INFORMATION.

PRE-TRANSFUSION CHECKLIST:

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
Written consent has been obtained (as appropriate)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Special Requirements section completed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pre-transfusion observations recorded	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Positive Patient Identification confirmed against the Patient ID band and the blood component tag.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Hospital No.: _____

Surname: **AFFIX PATIENT**

Forenames: **LABEL HERE**

D.O.B.: _____ Gender: M / F

Address: _____

In the event that BloodTrack Tx is not operational, a second signature and time must be recorded here.

P R E S C R I P T I O N								A D M I N I S T R A T I O N														
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	Date of Transfusion	Blood Component Type <small>(e.g. red cells, platelets etc)</small>	Dose / Volume	Special Requirements	Rate of Infusion	Diuretic required <small>(Prescribe on Patient's drug chart)</small>	Doctor <small>(Sign & Print Name)</small>	Date blood component actually transfused	Donation number of unit <small>(i.e. G092....)</small> <small>(Affix sticker)</small>	Administered by: <small>(Sign & Print Name)</small>	Checked by: <small>(Sign & Print Name)</small>	Time started	Time finished
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All blood components must be administered via a 'blood giving set' and all transfusions must be completed within 4 hours of leaving controlled storage.

INFORMED CONSENT FOR BLOOD TRANSFUSION (RED CELLS, PLATELETS, FFP OR CRYO)

STEP BY STEP GUIDE ON HOW TO OBTAIN WRITTEN CONSENT FOR BLOOD TRANSFUSION:

- 1) If a patient needs, or is likely to need Blood Transfusion, informed written consent should be obtained where possible (see detailed guidance notes available on INsite).
- 2) Use the UHL standard consent form.
- 3) Explain the reasons, benefits and risks of proposed Blood Transfusion to the patient, and offer written information leaflet on Blood Transfusion. The following text may be used for this purpose:

"I / we feel that it is, or it may become, necessary for you / your child to receive a Blood Transfusion. Although Blood Transfusion is quite safe, there are some potential risks associated with this treatment. In the UK the risk of contracting a viral infection such as hepatitis or HIV from Blood Transfusion is extremely small. Very rarely patients receiving Blood Transfusion may experience an allergic reaction or develop other complications such as haemolysis (breakdown of red cells in your blood) or a bacterial infection. The actual risk of contracting vCJD through blood is unknown but is likely to be extremely small. There is also a very small risk of receiving "unsuitable" blood, however there are stringent procedures in place to minimise this risk."

In some cases, particularly for surgical patients, there may be suitable alternatives to offering donor blood. Please discuss this with your senior colleagues or a member of the Blood Transfusion team.

- 4) Use the peel off stickers at the bottom of this page. Tick all boxes to indicate that the listed benefits and possible risks have been explained to the patient. Affix one sticker to each copy of consent form, file the top copy in patient's case notes and hand the bottom copy to the patient.
- 5) Consent for haematology and medical patients:
 - Patients requiring regular transfusion support will only need to be consented once, at the beginning of regular transfusion programme.
 - All other patients who are likely to require occasional transfusions should be consented once during each admission episode.
- 6) Consent for surgical procedures:
 - Patients undergoing **Planned Surgical Procedures** which require "Group and Save" or Cross Match (see Optimal Surgical Blood Ordering Schedule – available on INsite document ID 56978 should be consented for Blood Transfusion at the same time as the consent is taken for the surgical procedure.
 - Patients undergoing **Emergency Surgery**:
Obtain written consent if time allows, otherwise obtain and document verbal consent if patient is able to give consent.
- 7) Emergency transfusion in an unconscious patient, or if the patient is otherwise unable to give informed consent – the clinician in charge will decide what is in the best interest of the patient and document in case notes – remember, the issue of informed consent for Blood Transfusion is no different to any other emergency treatment or intervention.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

This section **MUST be completed
prior to the prescribing of all blood components.**

Indication Checklist – tick box if indication applies ✓

**Yes
(Tick)**

Indications for CMV NEGATIVE Blood Components	Neonates (i.e. up to 28 days post <i>ESTIMATED</i> delivery date)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	CMV antibody negative patients with haematological or other disease who are likely to receive allogeneic bone marrow transplant (BMT) and/or peripheral blood stem cell transplant (PBSCT)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	CMV negative recipients of allogeneic bone marrow transplant and/or peripheral blood stem cell transplant	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Elective transfusions during the course of pregnancy (not labour and/or post delivery)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	All intra-uterine transfusions	<input type="checkbox"/>
Indications for IRRADIATED Blood Components	BMT/PBSCT allograft recipient	<input type="checkbox"/>
	BMT/PBSCT autograft recipient - no Total Body Irradiation (TBI) <3 months post transplant	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Autograft recipient with TBI conditioning <6 months post transplant	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Due for BMT or PBSCT in the next seven days	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Hodgkin's Disease (all patients regardless of stage)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Suspected or confirmed congenital cellular immune deficiency state (eg. DiGeorge Syndrome)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Neonate (<6 months old) due to receive a red cell exchange transfusion	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Patients receiving Fuldarabine, Cladribine (2CDA), Pentostatin (2 deocycloformycin), Bendamustine, CAMPATH, Clofarabine, ATG (not essential following ATG in recipients of solid organ transplant)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Due to receive or has previously received intra-uterine transfusion	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Due to receive Granulocytes, HLA-matched platelets or donations from 1st or 2nd degree relatives	<input type="checkbox"/>	

If no Special Requirements apply, please tick this box

Signature:

Date:

Comments

Reviewed

Signature:

Date:

Please see the hospital transfusion policy for further background detail.

MANAGEMENT OF TRANSFUSION REACTION

Symptoms/Signs of Acute Transfusion Reaction

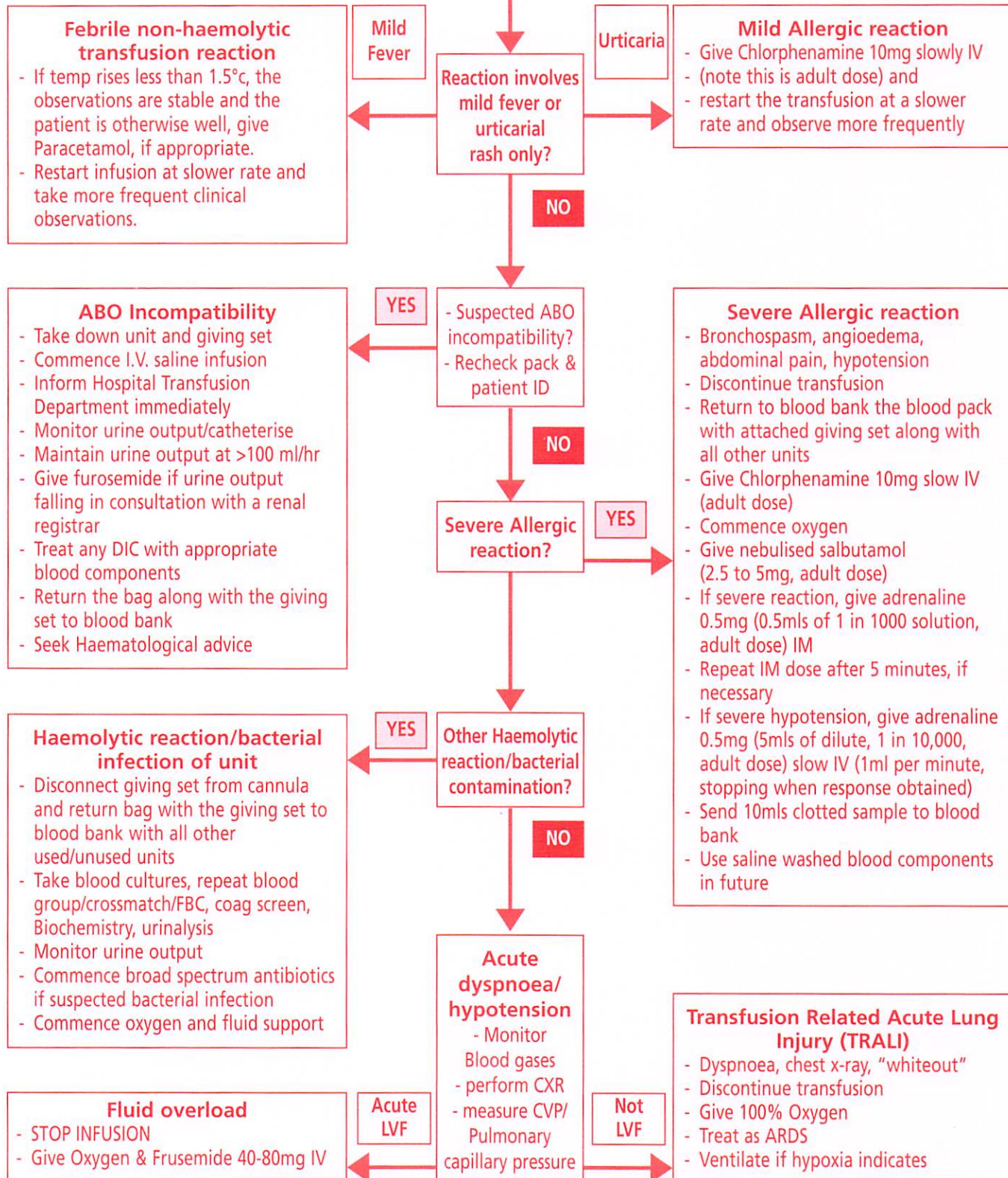
Fever, chills, tachycardia, hyper or hypotension, collapse, rigors, flushing, urticaria, bone, muscle, chest and/or abdominal pain, shortness of breath, nausea, generally feeling unwell, respiratory distress

Stop the Transfusion and call a Doctor

Maintain IV access with appropriate slow-running IV fluids.

Measure temperature, pulse, BP, respiratory rate, Oxygen saturation.

Check the identity of the recipient, the details on the unit and crossmatch report form



RECORD OF TRANSFUSION OBSERVATIONS

Observations must be recorded for each unit transfused: Prior to starting the transfusion (before the blood is collected from blood bank); then at 20 mins; 1 hour; and on completion of each unit

Please record the TIME at which you carry out each set of observations

Date:

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TEMPERATURE

BLOOD PRESSURE

PULSE

RESPIRATION

Transfusion observations should be recorded in the Transfusion module of e-Obs. In the event that e-Obs is not available record observations on this chart.

CONSENT FOR BLOOD TRANSFUSION

Benefits

- I. To treat anaemia/improve delivery of oxygen to tissues
- II. To replace blood loss (bleeding/haemolysis)
- III. To help prevent further bleeding

Potential Risks

- 1. Extremely small risk of viral illness such as hepatitis or HIV or other viruses
- 2. Very small risk of bacterial infection
- 3. Risk of transfusion reaction – allergic or haemolytic
- 4. Unknown but probably extremely small risk of vCJD
- 5. Very small risk of receiving unsuitable blood (though procedures in place to prevent this risk)
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