

Roles and Responsibilities for Transfusion Service Activities

Process:	Explanation of Responsibilities
Compatibility testing	Hospital will be responsible for compatibility testing. Upon proper request by the hospital, LifeServe's reference laboratory will perform compatibility testing using the specific patient's sample for cross matching the products designated by LifeServe for transfusion to the specific patient.
Labeling of units for transfusion	Hospital will be responsible for labeling of components for transfusion. When LifeServe has performed the compatibility testing at the request of the hospital, LifeServe will label each unit upon the completion of the compatibility testing. (NOTE: cross match is not applicable for some components requested.
 Specialty components Irradiated Sickle Cell Negative Washed products HLA compatible 	Specialty components (as listed) will be provided by LifeServe at the request of the hospital.
Component preparation	Components are prepared by LifeServe Blood Center. List of components available upon request.
Emergency release of components prior to all testing completed	LifeServe is responsible for procedure for Emergency release of components prior to testing completion.
Emergency release of components prior to compatibility testing completion	Hospital is responsible for procedure for Emergency release of components prior to compatibility testing completion.
Storage of products at the Transfusing facility	Hospital is responsible for appropriate storage of products at their facility, quarantine of components when appropriate and providing notification to LifeServe of any temperature excursion or equipment failure that could adversely affect stored components.
Additional serological testing: antigen typing, prenatal, direct and indirect antiglobulin testing	Hospital will be responsible for additional serological testing unless the facility requests that compatibility testing be performed by LifeServe.

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LifeServe Medical Director consultation	LifeServe Medical Department is available for consultation 24/7.
LifeServe participation in utilization/transfusion/quality assurance committee	LifeServe will provide participants at the request of the hospital.
Provide essential elements for or participate in educational/training programs for the medical, laboratory and nursing staff	Hospital is responsible for providing essential training and educational opportunities. LifeServe will provide and/or participate in education/training programs at the request of the hospital.
Transfusion Service Audit	Hospital is responsible for Policies, validated processes and procedures for transfusion service activities. LifeServe will provide assistance upon request. LifeServe is responsible to perform Transfusion Service Audits of hospital transfusion service activities. Transfusion Service Audit to be scheduled for mutually agreeable date/time.

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