



RED BLOOD CELLS (RBC) TRANSFUSION GUIDELINES*

- Acute hemorrhage with documented evidence of hemodynamic instability, including uncontrolled or active bleeding, or the anticipated need for blood product transfusion.
- Consider transfusion with hemoglobin <7g/dl in stable patients.
- Consider transfusion with hemoglobin <10g/dl in patients symptomatic for cardiopulmonary disease.
- Transfuse one unit at a time except for ongoing blood loss with hemodynamic instability and patients with transfusion dependence.
- Use a transfuse and reassess strategy once hemodynamic stability is reached.

**Physicians will continue to make treatment decisions based on ongoing assessment of each patient's clinical situation.*

For more information on the blood management program or on these guidelines, please contact blood conservation coordinator Charis Yoder at 503-215-3474 or Charis.Yoder@providence.org.