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How to build a pre-hospital transfusion program

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Patients transported: 1,040

Whole blood candidates: 82

Transfusions: 12



HOW TO????

Pre-Hospital Transfusion Program for THIRD PARTY

- **MSPAC**

- 7 helipads that require courier support
- One refrigerator at each helipad with 2 LTWB units
- Tracking by MSP
- Employees are MSP



Requisites to move forward on a Hospital/EMS partnership

DEFINE:

- A CONTRACT
- INVENTORY QUANTITY total amount stocked amongst bases
- ANTICIPATED number of units transfused per month
- PROCESS for Billing
- EMS COMPLIANCE with standards and delineate which party has regulatory oversight

Pre-Hospital Transfusion Cost Estimates

- **Blood Product Cost:** estimated 8-24 units transfused per month and increased units order to provide PAR
 - Inventory cycled every 10 days to resupply MSPAC with fresh units and bring short-dated products to UMMC
 - MSPAC assumes responsibility for pick up and return of LTWB from and to the Blood Bank
- **Donor Confirmation testing billing**
- **Blood Product Tracking/Regulatory Compliance:**
 - No Cost to Hospital Blood Bank: EMS /MSP responsible for meeting Compliance/Regulatory requirements

WHOLE BLOOD PROGRAM PROCEDURES

- Thermal Isolation Chamber (TIC) Cooler & spare TIC box
- Helicopter Section Freezer set to -18°C
- Bluetooth thermometer
- Blood Warmer
- Specialized Filtered “Y” Blood Tubing
- 500ml Pressure Bag
- Low Titer O+ Whole Blood

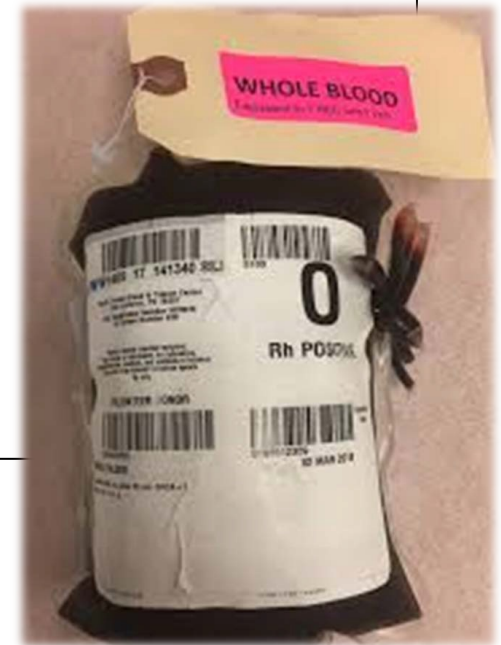


BLOOD BANK-MSP TEAM EFFORT HOSPITAL



Hospital Blood Bank Role

- Units are tracked in BB LIS
- ABO Retype units
- MSP is billed monthly for units used
- Returned units less than 7 days billed to MSP
- Notifies Recall/lookback



EMS / MSP Role and responsibilities

- Regulatory compliance
- Procedures and review by Hospital QA
- Training of EMS staff and documentation
- Tracking of units and recipient
- Tracking of the cold chain storage

Great Team Work:

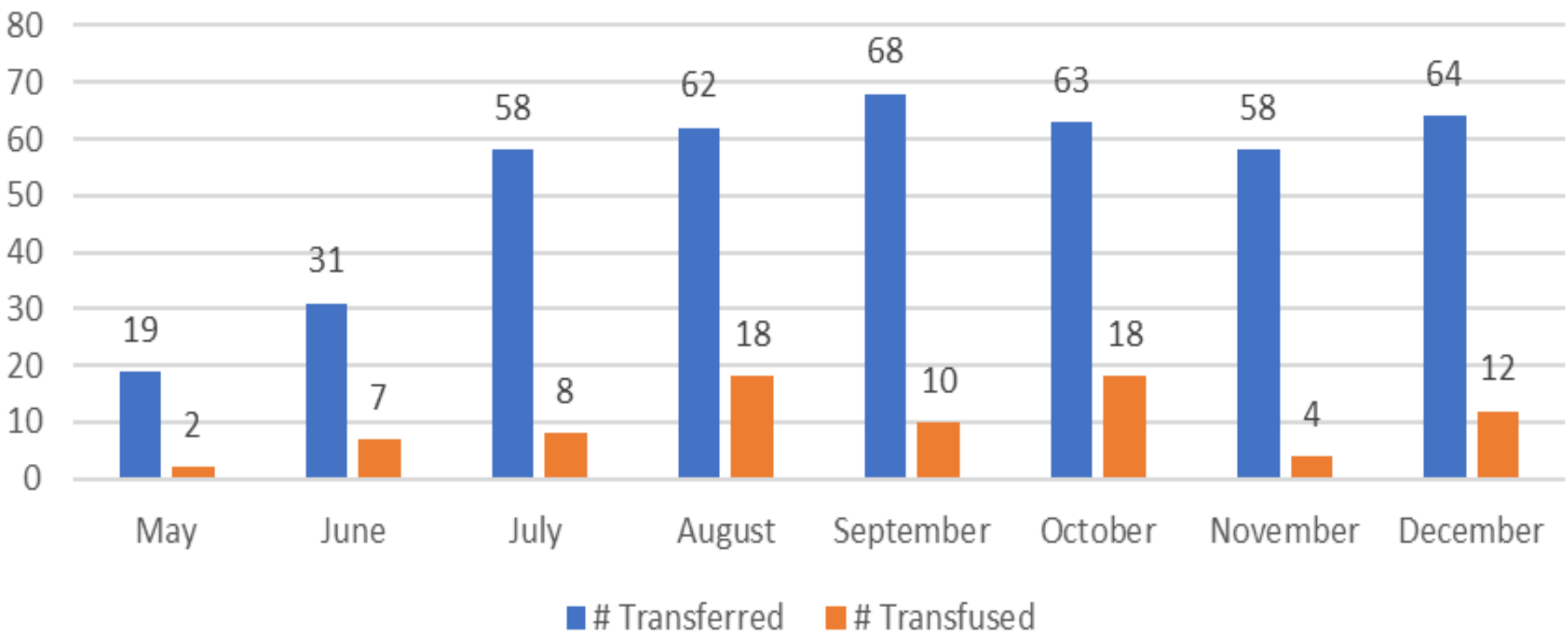
- Pre-Hospital Admission Low Titer Whole Blood (LTWB) Transfusion Project
 - Maryland State Police Aviation Center (MSPAC)
 - Went Live 05/10/2023.



Press Release

<https://www.umms.org/ummc/news/2023/blood-on-board>

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Standards for Out of Hospital and Prehospital Transfusion Administration Services

- Is available for 60 day public comment starting tomorrow, May 31 through July 30
- Will cover both out of hospital activities and prehospital activities
 - Out of hospital activities cover: those that take place in vascular access or infusion service providers in settings other than the hospital, i.e., long term care facilities, hospices, home care settings and other non-acute care settings
 - Prehospital activities include those that take place in the EMS space

Standards for Out of Hospital and Prehospital Transfusion Administration Services

- Chapter 5 is split into out of hospital and prehospital activities
 - Standards in Chapters 1 – 4, and 6 – 10 apply to both disciplines
- Out of hospital standards were built off of the 1st edition of Standards for Out of Hospital Transfusion Administration Services issued in 2018
 - Standards edited and/or added where appropriate
- Prehospital standards are all new with some items similar to what is found in AABB's 34th ed of Standards for Blood Banks and Transfusion Services

Questions, Comments, Concerns

