ENHANCING DONOR SAFETY
DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Social Distancing
Considerations for maintaining six-feet separation between all individuals, to the extent possible.

- Move furniture and equipment
- Stagger appointments
- Limit number of appointments in enclosed areas (such as mobile units)
- Have donors wait outside at a safe distance and be notified by text or phone when ready
- Minimize crowding by discouraging donors from being accompanied by family members
- Distribute individually wrapped snacks (to limit touching of snacks and avoid congregation in snack areas)

Infection Control

- Increase frequency of cleaning and disinfection throughout the facility, including:
  - The donor bed and other surfaces in the collection area after each donor
  - The donor screening and refreshment areas
  - Restrooms, doorknobs and other surfaces
  - Donor screening tools such as clipboards, tablets, pens and styluses
- Encourage donors to wash their hands or use hand sanitizer before and after donation
- Empty waste bins more frequently

Staff Health and Safety

Follow CDC Interim Infection Control Guidance on COVID-19 for Personnel at Blood and Plasma Collection Facilities

- Consider daily temperature checks
- Frequent hand washing
- Follow CDC’s hand hygiene guidance

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Visit CDC for infection control guidance

Provide training on signs and symptoms of COVID-19

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** https://www.cdc.gov/infectioncontrol/guidelines/hand-hygiene/index.html