AABB Code of Ethics

As an association of hospital and community blood centers, transfusion and transplantation services, and molecular testing facilities, and individuals involved in activities related to transfusion and transplantation medicine, cellular therapies, and molecular testing, AABB supports high standards of medical, technical and administrative performance, scientific investigation, clinical application and education to optimize patient and donor care and safety. It is dedicated to encouraging the voluntary donation of blood and other tissues and organs through education, public information and research.

Accordingly, AABB expects members to adhere to the following ethical and professional principles, consistent with the mission, vision and values of the association:

1. Apply available evidence and ethical principles to provide products and services that optimize the delivery of safe and efficacious care to patients and donors.

2. Promote integrity and transparency by acting with honesty and fairness and in accordance with applicable laws and regulations relating to transfusion medicine and cellular therapies.

3. Support consensus building in all matters that affect patient and donor safety and care.

4. Act responsibly to protect the confidentiality of information relating to patients and donors, and as required by applicable laws and AABB policies.

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