

AABB Accreditation Activities

Transfusion Activity - A facility that performs one or more of the following activities: compatibility testing, storage, selection and issuing of blood, components, tissues and derivatives to intended recipients for transfusion and transplantation. Transfusion services do not routinely collect blood or process Whole Blood into components (except Red Blood Cells and Recovered plasma).

Transfusion Apheresis and/or Autologous Activity – A transfusion facility that performs apheresis collection and/or autologous collection.

Donor Activity – A facility that performs, or is responsible for the performance of, the collection, processing, testing, storage, and/or distribution of human blood and/or blood components intended for transfusion and transplantation. The donor activity may be performed by a community blood center or a hospital blood bank.

Donor Testing Only Activity – A laboratory that performs testing on samples collected from blood donors.

Hematopoietic Progenitor Cell (HPC) Activity – A facility involved in any of the following: qualifying donors, collection, processing, storage, distribution/issuing of HPC products.

Cord Blood (CB) Activity – A facility involved in any of the following activities: qualifying donors, collection, processing, storage, and distribution of cord blood products.

Somatic Cell Activity – A facility involved in any of the following activities: qualifying donors, collection, processing, storage, and distribution of somatic cell products other than HPCs or CB.

Cell Therapy Clinical Program Activity – The facility responsible for administration of the cell therapy product and related patient care activities.

Relationship Testing Activity - A facility that performs, or is responsible for, the performance of the following: customer service, and at least two of the following - sample collection, testing, or verification/result reporting of relationship testing.

Immunohematology Reference Laboratory (IRL) Activity – A facility equipped for performing advanced investigational procedures pertaining to immunohematologic studies.

Perioperative Activity – A location or operational area within a facility where any of the following activities are performed by the facility's staff or contract personnel: intraoperative acute normovolemic hemodilution; collection, storage, and administration of autologous blood products and components obtained during intraoperative and postoperative autologous blood recovery; perioperative autologous component production.

Molecular Testing Activity – A laboratory or facility that uses molecular testing methods to identify red cell, platelet, or neutrophil antigens for the purpose of determining blood group alleles and predict the phenotype.

Out of Hospital Transfusion Activity – A facility that performs transfusions that occur outside of the acute care setting such as long-term care facilities, hospice, infusion centers, or home care settings. Does not cover prehospital transfusions (e.g. trauma).

Patient Blood Management Program (PBM) Activity– A program within an organization (that is outside the USA) and is responsible for patient blood management activities.

CLIA Accreditation – A facility that is accredited for the Transfusion Activity, Donor Activity, Immunohematology Reference Lab Activity, Cell Therapy Activities (CB, HPC, Somatic Cell, and Clinical Programs that perform testing), and/or Molecular Testing Activity that wants AABB to be their CLIA provider.

HRSA Accreditation – A facility accredited for the Cord Blood Activity that is part of the Bill Young Cord Blood Program and tells HRSA that they want AABB to be their HRSA provider.