Clinical Transfusion Medicine Committee

CHAIR: Nabiha Huq Saifee, MD,PHD

PURPOSE: To develop and maintain AABB's role as a leader in establishing and maintaining the highest level of patient safety, care and support in transfusion therapies. To provide consultations as needed on all facets of issues concerning the overall safety, appropriate management and clinical effectiveness of transfusion therapies administered to patients.

CHARGES: 1. Recommend new or updating existing clinical practice guidelines (CPGs) for Board consideration.

2. Prioritize non-infectious risks of transfusion as identified through Biovigilance Network and other data sources. Report to the Board annually. Coordinate prioritizing infectious vs. non-infectious risks of transfusion in conjunction with Transfusion Transmitted Diseases Committee.

3. Maintain the system for committee members to review on an annual basis critical developments in the fields of transfusion alternatives, patient blood management, pediatric hemotherapy, therapeutic apheresis, extracorporeal therapy, age of blood and other related fields of transfusion medicine; prepare an annual summary (due for the July board meeting) including summaries and/or abstracts of these articles/developments that is prioritized for the board's attention.

4. Identify to the TMSCC topics for technical guidance documents; participate in or lead the development of these documents as requested by the TMSCC.

5. Evaluate the impact of pathogen inactivation technology focusing on the operational aspects of implementation including options and challenges.

Current Personnel as of November 22, 2026

Name	Roles
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Name	Roles
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Time Commitment: To learn about the time commitments for this committee, please contact the staff liaison listed in the roster above.