MAKING CHOICES ABOUT THE USE OF BLOOD PRODUCTS

Use this guide to discuss your personal wishes with your physician before surgery.

Patients who decline transfusions can help their doctors understand their wishes by considering in advance the use of various products derived from whole blood, synthetic products, and procedures that use autologous (their own) blood. This checklist may help you to be better prepared.

Products Derived From Blood

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| ☐      | ☐      | Red blood cells/White blood cells
| ☐      | ☐      | Platelets
| ☐      | ☐      | Plasma/FFP
| ☐      | ☐      | Albumin
| ☐      | ☐      | Immune globulins, including: RHIg, IVIg, HB Ig, VZIg, Tl g, HR I g
| ☐      | ☐      | Plasma derived coagulation factor concentrates, including Humate P, ATIII concentrate, prothrombin complex concentrates, and cryoprecipitates

Synthetic Products

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| ☐          | ☐      | Recombinant Erythropoietin (buffered with albumin)
| ☐          | ☐      | Recombinant coagulation factor concentrates, including Factor VIII, Factor IX, and Factor VIIa (Novoseven®)

Procedures Using Autologous (Your Own) Blood

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| ☐      | ☐      | Hemodialysis and/or Heart/Lung equipment
| ☐      | ☐      | Salvaged autologous blood in a closed circuit
| ☐      | ☐      | Salvaged autologous blood not in a closed circuit
| ☐      | ☐      | Autologous platelet gel
| ☐      | ☐      | Epidural Blood Patch
| ☐      | ☐      | Cell Tagging Tests

For more information, contact the UPMC Center for Bloodless Medicine and Surgery at 1-877-674-7111.