

## TRANSFUSION PRE-ADMINISTRATION DOUBLE INDEPENDENT CHECK

To be undertaken at the patient's side

**TWO** qualified staff must undertake the double independent check at the patient's side immediately prior to administration.

- If in doubt or there are any discrepancies, do not proceed.  
Contact Hospital Blood Bank/Transfusion Lab for clarification.



### POSITIVELY IDENTIFY THE PATIENT

- Ask patient to state & spell their full name & DOB
- Confirm full name & spelling, DOB & medical record number are identical & correct on:
  - ID band
  - Compatibility labels
  - Paper prescription or EMR order



### ENSURE RIGHT PRODUCT AND RIGHT PACK

- Check order/prescription for:
  - Product type
  - Volume/dose & duration
  - Special requirements
- Check the blood pack & compatibility labels are correct & identical to the order/prescription details (as above)
- Check blood group of pack & patient are compatible
- Check donation number on blood pack & compatibility label are identical



### CHECK EXPIRY DATE & TIME AND PRODUCT INTEGRITY

- Check blood pack expiry date & time
- Check crossmatch expiry date & time
- Visually inspect & confirm integrity of product



### DOCUMENT IN MEDICAL RECORD

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