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Completing the prescription chart

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Caring Expert Quality

Core principles of authorising the blood product

- Thorough clinical assessment has been undertaken and patient is fit for transfusion
- Stay within your agreed area of competency

Then …

- Patient ID
- Documentation
- Communication

Minimum Dataset

- Core identifiers
  - Full name
  - Date of birth
  - Unique ID number
- Type of components
  - Red cells - FFP
  - Platelets - Cryoprecipitate
- Date & time of transfusion
- Special requirements if applicable
- Signature and contact details

Volume Adults

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Red cells

Adult = 4ml/kg will typically give a Hb increment of 10g/L.

Platelets

1 pooled (4 donors) or apheresis unit

FFP

15ml/kg

- 50kg - 65kg 3 units
- 70kg - 85kg 4 units
- 90kg - 100kg 5 units

Cryoprecipitate

If Fibrinogen <1.5g/l (<2g/l in pregnancy)

- 2 pooled packs (10 donors)

Rate

Dependent on clinical condition and co-morbidities

Red cells

•over 90 mins to 3 hours

Platelets

•over 30 minutes

•**FFP**

•Stat to 30 mins

•**Cryoprecipitate**

•Stat to 30 mins

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- Top-up 10-20 mL/kg, (typically 15 mL/kg over 4 hours)

  Desired Hb - Actual Hb
  x weight x Factor 3 to 5
  ÷ 10 ÷ hrs

15kg child with hb of 70g/dl; target Hb 100g/dl

Desired Hb = 100 - Actual Hb (70) = 30
X 15kg = 450 x 3 = 1350mls ÷ 10 =135mls
÷ 3 (hrs) = 45mls/hr
Total amount transfused = 135mls

Platelets volume and rate formula

<15 kg child

10–20 ml/kg over 1 or 2 hours

>15 kg child

Single apheresis unit over 1 or 2 hours

FFP volume and rate formula

10 to 20 ml/kg over 1 or 2 hours

Cryo volume and rate formula

5ml/kg over 1 or 2 hours

Medication during/pre transfusion

E.G. Frusemide, Hydrocortisone, Piriton, Paracetamol

- Determined by local policies/assessment procedure
- Assessment should highlight if the patient is fit for transfusion
- Has the decision been made to administer medication
- Do you need to challenge this prior to transfusion

Apps to help.

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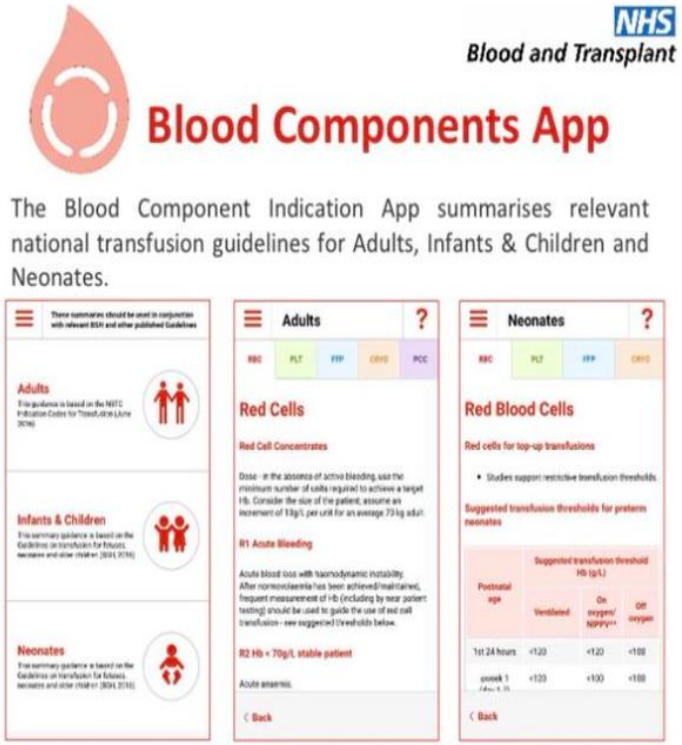

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