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Patient's consent form for Autologous/Designated donation

Please circle the applicable: Autologous/Designated

I have read and understood the information on autologous and designated donation and understand that:

- Blood from the general blood supply is available to me and that this autologous/designated donation is entirely my choice.
- I will be charged for autologous/designated units whether the blood is used or not.
- The units may be rendered unusable due to circumstances beyond the Service's control.
- The designated donors selected by me will only be used if they fulfil all the requirements of regular donors.

I consent that:

- Blood from the general blood supply may be used, should the need arise.
- If I am an autologous donor, any abnormal results may be divulged to my doctor confidentially, by the Service's clinician.

Patient Details

First Name: _____
 Surname: _____
 Date of Birth: _____
 Address: _____

 Telephone (h): _____ (w) _____
 Cell: _____
 E-mail: _____
 Medical Aid: _____
 Medical Aid No.: _____
 Member's Name: _____
 Patient's Signature: _____ Date: _____
 (Parent/guardian signature required if donor is a minor)

 Referring Doctor: _____
 Date of Transfusion/Surgery: _____

Doctor's order for Autologous/Designated units

Please circle the applicable: Autologous/Designated

Patient Details

First Name: _____
 Surname: _____
 Contact Number: _____
 Diagnosis: _____
 Hospital: _____
 Date & Time of Transfusion: _____

Blood Product(s) Required	Number of Units
Adult Whole Blood	_____
Adult Red Cell Concentrate	_____
Paediatric Red Cell Concentrate	_____
Infant Red Cell Concentrate	_____
Fresh Frozen Plasma	_____
Other: _____	_____

Please indicate whether any of the above units require leucocyte reduction. Yes No

I, the undersigned:

- Understand that blood from the general supply is available, should the need arise.
- Understand that the autologous/designated donor must fulfil the health requirements of the WP Blood Transfusion Service.

Clinician Details

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Telephone: _____
 E-mail: _____
 Practice No.: _____
 Signature: _____
 Date: _____



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When a transfusion is necessary, what are my options?

At WPBTS we have an excellent record in blood safety. However, we respect the fact that some people are anxious about receiving blood from donors who are not known to them.

You may want to consider these options as an alternative to receiving blood from the general blood supply.

What is an Autologous Donation?

“ This is when you are having **planned surgery** and you donate blood **for yourself** ”

The big plus is that your transfusion will be completely compatible.

What are the requirements?

If you are considering this, you must fulfil the health requirements of regular donors although the age requirements are different - you may be aged between 12 and 70 years.

Pregnant women may also donate, provided there are no complications in pregnancy.

We recommend that an iron supplement be taken to prevent anaemia during the donation process.

How does it work?

Your surgeon will decide on the number of units which may be required. We then plan your donation schedule well in advance.

Donations may be made every four days provided your Haemoglobin remains within our acceptance criteria. The last donation may be made three to seven days prior to surgery, allowing your body to replenish the blood lost during donation.

If you are positive for HIV, Hepatitis or have a bacterial infection you will be unable to donate blood as this would be contrary to safety regulations.

What is a Designated Donation?

“ This is when family and friends with a **compatible blood type** donate blood for your **planned surgery** ”

What are the requirements?

Designated donors must fulfil the regular blood donor acceptance criteria and their decision to donate for you must be entirely voluntary.

It is not advisable for a woman of childbearing age to receive a donation from her husband or his relatives, as this could lead to a blood group incompatibility which affects the safety of future pregnancies.

How does it work?

Your doctor will decide on the number of units required for transfusion. The donations must be planned in advance as it takes at least 48 hours to test and process a unit of blood.

If a blood relative donates for you, the blood will require an additional process called Irradiation to prevent a condition called graft versus host disease.

Should a designated donor be deferred from donating for you, neither you or your doctor will be informed of the specific reason for deferral.

Costs

An Autologous or Designated unit of blood costs the same as that from the general blood supply. However, a levy is billed for the administration procedure and additional blood tests. Pre-authorisation should be obtained from your medical aid.

Autologous and Designated blood donations which are not used will only be transferred to the general blood supply if donated by a regular donor.

How do I register?

The decision for either procedures must be discussed with your Physician.

With the aid of your Physician, please **fax** or **e-mail** the completed forms (reverse side of this brochure) to us.

Once all your information has been reviewed and you are fit to donate, our staff will contact you to make an appointment.

Contact Details:



Telephone numbers

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