



DIRECTED DONATION ORDER FORM

Apply the recipient's demographic information label in this space **OR** attach demographic information sheet to the form.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE. ENTIRE FORM MUST BE COMPLETE TO PROCESS ORDER.

Today's Date:

RECIPIENT INFORMATION

Instructions: Document the patient's **COMPLETE** legal name and birth date (MM/DD/YY format) in the appropriate fields below. Indicate the patient's gender and blood type (required) in the appropriate fields below.

Patient's Complete Legal Name			Birth Date
Last	First	Middle	Birth Date
Gender	ABO Group/Rh Type (required)	Patient's Phone Number	
<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female			

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Instructions: Indicate the number of units requested next to the product. If 0, leave blank.

_____ Red Blood Cells _____ Fresh Frozen Plasma _____ Cryoprecipitated AHF (single unit)

DIVIDED PRODUCTS FOR PEDIATRIC USE

Instructions: Indicate desired quantity. If adult doses are desired, please order above.

RBC-Divided (WI only)	Aliquots Attached	FFP-Divided
<input type="checkbox"/> 3 units approximately 70 mL each	_____ bags attached	<input type="checkbox"/> 6 units approximately 40 mL each
<input type="checkbox"/> 6 units approximately 40 mL each		
<input type="checkbox"/> 9 units approximately 20 mL each		

SPECIAL PRODUCT NEEDS

Instructions: Place a check mark to indicate irradiation requirements.

Irradiate? Yes No

ALL DIRECTED PRODUCTS ARE LEUKOCYTE REDUCED.

INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

Instructions: Document the name of the hospital where the product(s) are to be sent, including the State and the date needed by. Indicate if products will be needed on an ongoing basis or if no other products will be needed. Document the name of procedure or diagnosis.

Hospital	State	Date Needed (mm/dd/yy)
Procedure/Diagnosis		

ORDERING PHYSICIAN INFORMATION

Instructions: Document the name of the ordering physician, the name of the person to contact for concerns/questions related to this order, and the phone number, including area code.

Physician Name	Office Contact Name	Office Phone Number
This form must be sent to SPS by the ordering physician via fax at (414) 933-6833 or email to SPSAlerts@versiti.org . We can be reached by phone at (414) 937-6188 or 1-800-525-1388 (toll free).		Visit www.versiti.org → Products and Services → Specialty Products and Services → Directed Donation Order Form

DIRECTED DONATION PROGRAM INFORMATION

Versiti Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana/Ohio, and Michigan offer a Directed Donation Program whereby donations may be directed to specific patients to meet blood needs for **planned** surgeries or transfusions. A firm date that products are needed by must be provided. If more products are needed after the original surgery date, a new order must be completed.

The Directed donation program is meant to provide blood for patients with rare blood types when blood cannot be sourced from the general supply. Before choosing to participate in this program, the patient and physician should consider the community blood supply, which is exceptionally safe. Blood banking authorities have found that the transfusion of blood from directed donors **does not reduce** the risks associated with transfusions. The safety of the blood relies, in part, on the truthfulness of each donor. **Should family members and friends feel undue pressure to donate, they may fail to be truthful about their eligibility as blood donors.**

Requesting Directed Donor Units

The request must be made by a physician. As soon as possible after the decision for surgery is made, the *Directed Donation Order Form* should be completed and sent to Versiti. It is advisable to recruit more donors than the number recommended by the physician, as some donated units may not be suitable for the patient's use.

It is NOT recommended that a female patient of childbearing age receive blood from a husband or male partner, as their blood may cause immunization of the patient and therefore compromise future pregnancies. **It is NOT recommended** that a female donate blood to their biological child or biological father of her child, as antibodies that may have been produced during pregnancy could cause a reaction during transfusion. Also, **it is NOT recommended** to have directed units if the patient has red cell antibodies in their blood.

Directed donors must meet the same eligibility criteria as any person donating for the general blood supply. Visit the Versiti website at <https://www.versiti.org/ways-to-give/blood-donation/donation-eligibility-faq> for donation eligibility information.

Availability of the Directed Donor Units

After collection, these units are subjected to the same tests as other donated blood. If, for any reason, a unit is not suitable for transfusion, it is discarded. Donors are informed of abnormal test results only when all tests are completed, which may be later than the patient's transfusion date. (**Note:** To protect the confidentiality rights of the donor, neither the patient nor the patient's physician is notified of non-suitable units). All ABO compatible units matching the order are tagged, reserving them for the patient's use.

Hospitals will be notified only of drawn units not available for the patient's transfusion. At the hospital, the donated blood will be cross-matched with a sample of the patient's blood. Only cross-match compatible units will be held for the patient's surgery.

Other reasons for which the blood may not be available for the patient's surgery include, but are not limited to: breakage of the plastic container, inadvertent contamination of the blood, or the need for repeat or additional testing. For these and other reasons beyond its control, Versiti Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana/Ohio, and Michigan cannot assure that directed donor units will be available. In such circumstances, the physician may decide to supplement with transfusion of blood from the community blood supply.

Charges for Directed Units

Because this program is very involved and requires special handling, a surcharge is added to the blood processing fee charged to the hospital for each unit sent. Health insurance (including Medicare) may **not** cover processing fees for directed units and/or additional processing as needed.

Also, to standardize directed units and improve safety of the blood (such as prevention of a rare transfusion complication known as graft-versus-host disease), all directed products from blood relatives will be irradiated. All products are leukoreduced.

Appointments

Prospective donors must schedule appointments for directed donations at one of the following centers: In Wisconsin and Indiana, all donor centers. In Ohio: Mill Run Center. In Illinois: Aurora, Tinley Park, Crystal Lake, DeKalb, Joliet, Winfield, Naperville and Highland. In Michigan: Farmington Hills, Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Saginaw, Traverse City, and Midland Dow Diamond. To allow ample time for collection, testing, processing, and then delivery to the hospital, donors must donate at least **seven**, but not more than fourteen working days, (excluding Sundays and holidays) before the date of the surgery.

All questions regarding this program may be directed to Versiti Special Patient Services at (414) 937-6188 or 1-800-525-1388.

Please refer to our website www.versiti.org.

Call the Versiti Special Patient Services Department to schedule your donation. The *Directed Donation Order Form* must be completed to schedule an appointment.