Unpacking and Storing Cord Blood Related Items

Labor and Delivery Floor:

1. Open the transport box.

2. Remove collection kits from the transport box and place in designated temperature controlled area.

   Note: L/D Floor will receive and store two different collection kits. One kit is for vaginal deliveries and one kit is for C-section deliveries.

3. Transfer empty transport boxes to the hospital blood bank or return to Michigan Blood.

4. Use collection kit according to Cord Blood Collection Instructions for cord blood collection.

5. After cord blood collection, transfer kit containing maternal samples, collected cord blood and all screening forms to hospital blood bank for storage.

Blood Bank:

1. Store empty transport boxes at room temperature (15-25°C).

2. Store kit containing collected cord blood and maternal samples from Labor and Delivery floor in refrigerated conditions (2-8°C). Do not allow maternal samples tubes to remain at room temperature.