

4 ISSUE OF BLOOD COMPONENTS DURING NORMAL WORKING HOURS

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**Due to ongoing quality issues with the KEMH vacuum transport system, only plasma derived blood products with a volume of less than 10mL will be issued to KEMH Clinical areas.*

All urgent blood products must be collected directly from Blood Bank.

This includes all products for Theatres.

For *plasma derived blood products with a volume of less than 10mL*, following a telephone request from a clinician or nurse, the product will be issued via the system on the understanding that a responsible staff member will wait at the receiving station until its arrival. This request will be documented on the Blood Bank telephone log.

The scientist will label each unit with the requesting location and the issue date and time.

Immediately upon receipt, the staff member must deliver the product directly to the bedside.

Infusion should be commenced within 30 minutes of issue.

The Blood Bank must be informed of any delay.