List of Medical Alternatives to Blood for Jehovah’s Witnesses or for Those Patients Who Prefer not to Receive Whole Blood or Blood Component Therapy

The information provided is based on literature report, and availability of products at MHH-TMC. It is reviewed by the hematology and pharmacy specialists and approved by the local Jehovah Witness Chapter. The information can also be helpful for anyone who prefers not to receive whole blood or blood component therapy and wishes to consider available alternatives. Please note that these alternatives may not be as effective as blood products and may carry risks of their own adverse effects.

Following a review and explanation of blood alternative information provided by the Transfusion Service, the patient has indicated with a checkmark the following alternatives that he/she is willing to receive.

The patient's informed consent regarding the selection of acceptable alternatives from the above list has been documented in the medical record by the patient's attending physician.

Acceptable Synthetic Alternatives

☐ Desmopressin (DDAVP)
☐ Vasopressin
☐ Vitamin K (Phytonadione)
☐ Helixate
☐ Kogenate
☐ Xyntha
☐ Advate
☐ BeneFix
☐ NovoSeven
☐ ε-aminocaproic acid (Amicar)
☐ Tranexamic acid (cylokapron)
☐ Recothrom
☐ Avitene
☐ Ferric Subsulfate
☐ Other(s): ________________

Personal Decision Alternatives

☐ Humate-P
☐ Hemofil-M
☐ Koate-DVI
☐ Mononine
☐ FEIBA**
☐ Bebulin VH
☐ Kcentra
- Riastap
- Tisseel
- Epoetin alfa (Epogen/Procrit)
- Albumin
- Cryoprecipitate
- Other(s): ________________

Others

- ATryn
- Thrombate III