Management of Hemostasis in Jehovah’s Witness or Other Patients at the Memorial Hermann Hospital Texas Medical Center That Will Not Accept Blood or Blood Components

In order to facilitate the management of hemostasis in Jehovah’s Witness patient or anyone that will not accept blood products, the transfusion medicine service at the Memorial Hermann Hospital Texas Medical Center (MHH-TMC) has established its standard operating procedure with the support from the hospital administration, the hospital transfusion committee, and the hematology and pharmacy specialists.

The standard operating procedure includes a comprehensive list of available hemostatic alternative to blood products at MHH-TMC and a physician/patient’s handout of the detailed information regarding the hemostatic agents.

If you, as a primary team physician, have a patient who requires such information, please contact the Transfusion Medicine/Blood Bank Service, Memorial Hermann Hospital Texas Medical Center at 713-704-3640. A copy of the list and the handout will be provided. If you have additional questions, the clinical pathology attending on-call will be paged for further assistance.

Please note that the information provided intends to help the primary team to expedite the process in choosing appropriate treatment alternatives to blood products for hemostasis. Clinical judgment and possible hematology consultation is required for the patient’s management.

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