

Designee Discussion

Whole Blood in EMS

"For the life of the flesh is in the blood.." Leviticus 17:11



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- 20's healthy male
- Accidental firearm discharge
- Drove himself to hospital
- Lost consciousness
- Wrecked



- Unresponsive, pulseless
- Tourniquet, CPR initiated
- Intubated, Epi x 2
- Blood arrived
- 2U warmed LTOWB 5 min



ROSC

- Flown to Baptist
- 3 weeks ICU, tracheostomy
- Fasciotomy L leg
- Woke up
- Discharged neurologically normal







- 30's female
- Multiple GSW Torso
- Unresponsive
- SBP 60



- 1u warmed LTOWB
- 2.5 min transport
- Woke up
- "What's that warm feeling in my arm"
- Survived







LTOWB Newsletter

ADMINISTERED: 58 UNITS

ISSUE #3



The results of saving lives, the nature of our profession, sometimes cannot be measured. In the case of blood, providers aren't saving just minutes or hours but decades of life-years.

The first Low Titer O Blood unit was delivered on April 10, 2024. Since then, patients throughout the District have received this new innovative life-saving treatment. Patients who have presented with critical and devastating injuries or illnesses have survived and returned to their homes and families. This program would not be successful without our partnerships and their continued unwavering support.

BABAK SABANI, MD, FCAS,FCCM Protessor of Surgery and Intergency Medicine Director, Center for Insura and Otitical Care George Washington Orivensity

The whole blood program is literally life saving. The bundle of whole blood, calcium chloride, and TXA is so effective that we are having a hard time enrolling patients into an international randomized study evaluating hemorrhage because patients who are GCS 15 are excluded. Again and again, I see that patients who were hypotensive and had a GCS less than 15 when DCFD EMS arrived on scene arrive to GW with a GCS 15 and perfusing blood pressure because they received this life-saving bundle. There is no doubt whatsoever in my mind that DCFD is at the forefront of prehospital care, in large part to this initiative.

CHRISTINE TRANKIEM, MD, FCAS

DCFEMS Field Low Titer Whole Blood program is a game changer for the District. The partnership between DCFEMS and the trauma centers of Washington DC is making a difference and saving lives. Proud to partner with DCFEMS, at the tip of the spear of innovative and comprehensive prehospital care. In this newsletter you can expect:

> Previous Case Updates

Case Review

Dispatch and Demographic Data

Data Collection Update

Provider Commentary

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Physician Commentary





Whole Blood vs. Component

- O-negative best
- O-positive most widely available
- Low-titer whole blood (LTOWB): low anti-A and anti-B antibodies
- Leuko-reduced minimizes
 transfusion reactions
- Whole blood storage 14-35 days vs 43 for PRBC's



A Tale of Two Teenagers





- 14yo dirt bike accident
- GCS 3, apneic
- HR 141, BP 140/80
- BVM en route
- SBP 70's after intubation in ED



- 500ml 0+ WB x 2
- To OR, 4 additional units blood
- Extubated next day
- Discharged day 5 neurologically normal









- Teenager GSW to chest, abdomen, upper extremity
- GCS 8
- HR 110, BP 80/30 (SI 1.4)



Prepped for intubation









- 1U blood more awake
- 2nd unit GCS 15
- HR 90, BP 110/90 (SI 0.8)
- Intubation deferred
- To ED awake & stable



Why do we think airway first?





INITIAL ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT

- Regardless of the injury causing airway compromise, the first priority is airway management: clearing the airway, suctioning, administering oxygen, and opening and securing the airway
- Patients with severe head injuries who have an altered level of consciousness or a GCS < 8 usually require the placement of a definitive airway
- **Establish a definitive airway** if there is any doubt about the patient's ability to maintain airway integrity



Circulation first



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Why Resuscitate Before You Intubate?



Respiratory Pump

• Intra-thoracic Pressure


Premeds

- Induction agents can cause:
- reduced sympathetic tone
- vasodilation
- myocardial depression





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20 mL Single-Dase Vs

Paralytics





Respiratory Pump







Pressure







Circulation First



Faster Refill in an Urban EMS System Saves Lives: Prospective Evaluation of Prehospital Advanced Resuscitative Care



ARC = 2u PRBC's + 2g TXA + 2g Ca





Hospital Mortality ARC vs Usual Care 2021- 2023



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Design: ARC cases vs controls

Inclusion: Penetrating injury with shock: SBP < 70 OR SBP < 90 + HR > 110 (SI 1.2) Exclusion: Isolated TBI or cardiac arrest

Outcome: interventions, vitals, mortality

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		Usual Care	ARC
ARC = 2u PRBC's + 2g TXA + 2g Ca	Shock Index Scene	1.21	1.44
	Shock Index ED	0.87	0.73
	Prehospital Time	13 min	16 min
Hospital Mortality ARC <i>vs</i> Usual Care 2021- 2023	EMS Intubation	12%	1.6%

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Factors Associated with Mortality Among Adults with Penetrating Torso Trauma and Shock





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Pediatric Case Series: Prehospital Advanced Resuscitative Care (ARC) Bundle



SBP SI 13 patients eligible 0.0625 0.0625 3 field arrest (excluded) 150 -2.5 2.0- 1 isolated TBI (excluded) SBP (mmHg) 100 - 9 patients included 1.5 ទ 1.0-• 8-18 years 50 -0.5- All survived to discharge 0.0 Scene ED ED Scene



Every Minute Matters:

Extending the Continuum of Care Through Early Prehospital Blood



Duchesne J, Broome JM, Piehl M et al. Every minute matters:Author twitter handles:Improving outcomes for penetrating trauma through prehospital@Tulane_Surgery;advanced resuscitative care. J Trauma Acute Care Surg. May 1, 2024.@JakeBroome; @MarkPiehl





911 Call February 2024







First SPARC Academy March 12 2024

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ACADEMY Saving Lives with Hemorrhage Control and Blood

Second SPARC Academy June 11, 2024 #SPARC2024





SPARC REGISTRY

REDCap Entries

- Tenet- Delray Medical Center
- UCHealth Medical Center of the Rockies
- Northeast Georgia Health System
- CommonSpirit -Penrose Hospital
- CommonSpirit-St. Anthony Hospital
- Tenet- St. Mary's Medical Center
- Tulane University
- Our Lady of the Lake
- Yale



Total entries 5/30/24: 497

Site	Number of Completed Records
Tenet- Delray Medical Center	10
UCHealth Medical Center of the Rockies	81
Northeast Georgia Health System	47
CommonSpirit -Penrose Hospital	25
CommonSpirit-St. Anthony Hospital	39
Tenet- St. Mary's Medical Center	46
Tulane University	245
Our Lady of the Lake	4
Yale	0





Prehospital Blood: National Updates

Presented by: Lieutenant Colonel (US Army, Retired) Randi Schaefer, DNP, RN, ACNS-BC, CEN Schaefer Consulting, LLC

Can we do this?

Extension of hospital Emergency Release Blood Products (ERBP) Programs

• Uncrossmatched blood; Implied Consent

AABB permits Emergency Release Low Titer O Whole Blood

• Standard 5.15.1

Military has been doing it for over 20 years with success

Civilian implementation

- HEMS in all 50 states
- Ground since 2016

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Who Is Doing Prehospital Blood?



9-1-1 Ground EMS Blood Carrying Agencies as of October 2023

Schaefer, Randall M. DNP¹; Bank, Eric A. AS²; Krohmer, Jon R. MD³; Haskell, Andrew PhD⁴; Taylor, Audra L. MS⁵; Jenkins, Donald H. MD⁶; Holcomb, John B. MD⁷. Removing the barriers to prehospital blood: a roadmap to success. Journal of Trauma and Acute Care Surgery ():10.1097/TA.0000000004378, May 1, 2024. | DOI: 10.1097/TA.00000000004378

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Dr. Jon Krohmer

Immediate Past Director of the Office of EMS (NHTSA)



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Pre-hospital trauma resuscitation



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