



NATIONAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE

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DIRECTED DONATIONS: INFORMATION and CONSENT

INFORMATION

There should be consent from the patient accepting the blood from the donor. Donors coming to donate direct donations and the patient should complete this form, which can be obtained from the NBTS or downloaded from the website as shown above. For patients under 18 years of age or not in a position to decide for themselves, the consent form should be signed by the legal guardian. Direct Donations should be done one week prior the blood for the patient is needed. Direct Donations are done in the NBTS or GGH hospital.

It is important to know that:

1. The NBTS does not advise that patients receive direct donations from friends and relatives. Studies demonstrate that direct donations from friends and relatives carry more risks than those donations given on voluntary basis. If the donor is a Blood Relative and gives a direct donation, there is a risk of Graft Versus Host Disease and consequently this blood has to be radiated prior to transfusion.
2. It is the also responsibility of the patient/family to inform the caring consultant that there is direct donations.
3. Direct Donations cannot be used on other patients.
4. This directed donation is only transfused if it satisfies all the tests required by the department.

We declare that **we have been fully informed** about the Direct Blood Donation procedure and that, had if we wanted to, we could have asked for more information.

CONSENT

I, the patient, accept that I receive blood from the donor mentioned below. The operation or blood transfusion is taking place at _____ (date), hospital _____, ward _____.

Donor is a **Blood Relative** Yes . jew No

Patient Blood Group: _____ (if known)

Donor Blood Group: _____ (if known)

Donor's Full Name:	I.D. Card No:
Signature of Donor:	Date:
Patient's Full Name:	I.D. Card No:
Signature of Patient:	Date:
NBTC Officer's Full Name:	I.D. Card No:
Signature of NBTS Officer:	Date:

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