

Stem Cells for Life

 When I found out that umbilical cord blood could save someone's life, **donating my cord blood to a public bank was an easy decision.** 

*– Nathaly, two-time cord blood donor
with Canadian Blood Services' Cord Blood Bank*



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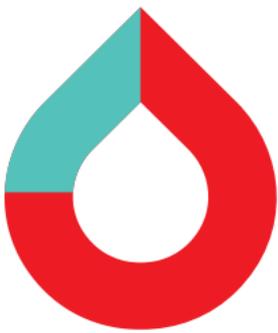
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Did you know that after a baby is born, the blood left in the umbilical cord and placenta is rich in lifesaving stem cells?

Cord blood can treat over 80 diseases and disorders including leukemia, yet it is often discarded as medical waste.

Canadian Blood Services' Cord Blood Bank collects and stores donated cord blood for future use by patients in need of an unrelated stem cell transplant.

Half of all stem cell transplant patients in Canada are unable to find a stem cell donor.



Fewer than 25%
of patients find a matching donor within their own family

The other ~75%
must rely on unrelated donors to save their lives

A diverse national public cord blood bank means a better chance of finding a match for a patient in need.

Donating cord blood is free, easy and poses no risk to the mother or baby.

Cord blood can be donated at four locations:

The Ottawa Hospital General Campus

Ottawa Ontario

William Osler Health System at Brampton Civic Hospital

Brampton Ontario

Alberta Health Services' Lois Hole Hospital for Women

Edmonton Alberta

BC Women's Hospital and Health Centre

Vancouver British Columbia

Visit our website to learn more about translation and interpretation services in other languages.

You could be the donor who saves someone's life.

Registering is easy, visit blood.ca/donatecord

Together, we are Canada's lifeline