

URGENT: IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED

To: ALL HOSPITAL SITES

From: National Emergency Blood Management Committee*

Subject: RECOVERY PHASE ADVISORY

National Inventory Advisory

| Date and time of issue | 2022-06-29 0600 (EST) |
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| Inventory Availability Phase | RECOVERY PHASE ADVISORY |
| Product(s) | O negative and B negative red blood cells |
| Description | |
| | Recovery Phase for O negative and B negative red blood cells continues to remain in effect and will be re-assessed after the July long weekend. |
| | Inventory levels, while still below the optimal range, are improving and the pace of recovery is expected to continue over the next 4-6 weeks. Hospital inventories should not exceed predefined green phase maximum stock inventory levels. |
| Impact on hospitals | Action Required: |
| | It is recommended that hospitals maintain their usual inventory target levels, including in preparation for the holiday long weekend. |
| | It is recommended that hospitals ensure appropriate utilization of blood products. |
| For more information | For additional info, contact: 1. Your Hospital Liaison Specialist, Canadian Blood Services 2. Your representative to the Provincial Emergency Blood Management Committee 3. Your representative to your Hospital Emergency Blood Management Committee |

"The National Emergency Blood Management Committee is comprised of the National Advisory Committee on Blood and Blood Products, Provincial Territorial Blood Liaison representatives and key Canadian Blood Services personnel. This group will develop recommendations and provide advice to the P/T Ministries of Health, hospitals and regional health authorities, and Canadian Blood Services to support a consistent and coordinated response to critical blood shortages in Canada.

For information about the National Blood Shortages Plan, please see: <u>Blood Shortage | National Advisory Committee on Blood and Blood Products (NAC) (nacblood.ca)</u>. If you require this advisory in an accessible format, please contact your local Canadian Blood Services Hospital Liaison Specialist.