The following definitions and examples apply to the Blood and Blood Products Audit Tools:

1. Pathology Queensland transfusion request form
2. Documentation of adverse reaction, blood prescription and transfusion observations
3. Patient information sheet
4. Blood and blood products transfusion consent
5. Surgical consent form
6. Refusal or limited consent form
7. Advance Health Directive
1. Pathology Queensland transfusion request form
2. Documentation of adverse reaction, blood prescription and transfusion observations

Examples of documents where information can be found for adverse reaction (Q4.0, Q4.1, Q19.0 and Q19.1 patient audit tool); blood prescription (Q8.0, Q8.1 patient audit tool); and transfusion observations (Q9.0 to Q18.0 patient audit tool) including a fluid prescription chart, observation record and IV/SC fluid chart.

Blood and Blood Products Prescription Form and Checklist
Information for Investigation of Transfusion Reaction

IV and SC Fluid Order form
Fresh Blood Product Transfusion Checklist – Townsville Hospital, includes Observation Instructions

Q-ADDS chart
3. Patient information sheets

There are 3 specific patient information sheets the patient can receive on blood and blood products. Question 5.0 & 5.1 on the patient audit tool asks the patient to confirm if they have received a patient information sheet and if so, which one. In addition, Question 5.3 on the patient audit tool requires documented evidence on the Blood and Blood Products Transfusion Consent form that the Consent patient information sheet was given to the patient.

Fresh Blood and Blood Products Transfusion Consent – Consent Information

![Consent Information](image)
4. Blood and blood products transfusion consent

Questions 6.0 and 6.1 on the patient audit tool require documented evidence on the Blood and Blood Products Transfusion Consent form.

**Question 6.1**
If yes to 6.0, is there evidence that the
1. Blood and blood product(s) accepted have been documented?
2. Patient’s name, signature and date is complete **OR**
   - Advance Health Directive (AHD) is complete **OR**
   - substitute decision maker’s name, signature, relationship, date and source are complete?
3. doctor’s/delegate’s name, designation, signature and date are complete?

**Question 5.3**
Requires documented evidence on the Blood and Blood Product Transfusion Consent form that information sheet was given to the patient.
5. Surgical consent form

Questions 21.2 on the patient audit tool require documented evidence on the informed consent form for the surgical procedure.

Example: Aortic Surgery Informed Consent – page 2

Question 21.2

If yes to 21.1, is there evidence that the:

1. consent includes the patient being aware that the procedure may include a blood transfusion?
2. patient has been given the Blood and Blood Products Transfusion Information Sheet?
3. patient’s name, signature and date is complete OR AHD is complete OR substitute name, signature, relationship, date and source are complete?
4. doctor’s/delegate’s name, designation, signature and date are complete?
6. Refusal or limited consent form

Some facilities may have a refusal form for patients who decline ALL transfusion or specified blood or blood products. Question 22.2 in the patient audit tool require documented evidence on the refusal form, if the facility uses one.

Refusal form – Metro South Health

**Question 22.2 (Declined ALL or Specified Blood or Blood Products)**

If yes to 22.1, is there evidence that the:

1. patient’s/substitute’s name, signature and date is complete?
2. doctor’s/delegate’s name, designation, signature and date is complete?
7. Advance Health Directive (AHD)

Where there is evidence that the patient has provided their wishes for blood and blood products transfusion on an AHD, Question 7.1 requires the AHD to be checked for inclusion of information about blood management, as well as checking for an alert in the medical record.

Further information can be found at:

- Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care Website: [https://www.safetyandquality.gov.au/](https://www.safetyandquality.gov.au/)
- Queensland Health staff can access information on the Queensland Blood Management via the Queensland Health intranet.
- BloodSafe eLearning Australia: [https://www.bloodsafelearning.org.au/](https://www.bloodsafelearning.org.au/)
We recognise and appreciate that there may be gaps in the scope and questions included in these tools, however, as the audit tools are a constant ‘Work in Progress’, future versions will build upon the existing scope and questions, and incorporate staff feedback and suggestions for improvement.

Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Service, Clinical Excellence Queensland, welcomes feedback on the audit tools and the measurement plans, to ensure the tools meet the needs of Queensland Health facilities. We appreciate any feedback you can provide for the next version.

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