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**INFORMED CONSENT: BLOOD PRIMING DURING  
CLINICAL APHERESIS**



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Blood priming is the process of lining (filling) the apheresis set with an appropriate, matched red blood cell concentrate unit before the start of the apheresis procedure. Blood primes are performed to avoid the risks associated with having low red cell concentration (haematocrit) during the apheresis procedure. The donated red blood cells are then transfused in a controlled manner via the apheresis device.

Blood priming is most commonly recommended in a scenario where a patient weighing less than 25kg is to undergo an apheresis procedure. The blood unit used in this process undergoes routine safety and quality testing before being released for use. Blood transfusions are associated with both benefits and potential risks and these have been explained to me by Dr..... (Clinical Physician) .

I .....(Name and Surname) as the patient/guardian/patient representative hereby consent to a blood product transfusion to.....  
  
(patient) for clinical apheresis.

SIGNED AT: ..... ON THIS.....DAY OF .....(mm/yy)

SIGNATURE OF PATIENT/GUARDIAN/PATIENT REPRESENTATIVE:  
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If Guardian/Patient Representative please specify the following:

Capacity / Relationship: .....

NAME AND SURNAME: ..... ID No: .....

Clinical Physician (1): ..... AS WITNESS (2): .....