NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
CLINICAL LABORATORY EVALUATION PROGRAM

Proposed Blood Services Standard
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Blood Services

Standard	Guidance
Blood Services Standard 2 (BS S2) Facilities utilizing a one-person verification process for matching recipients to the blood or blood component at the time of transfusion must: a) Use an FDA-approved automated identification technology that positively identifies the recipient and matches the blood or blood component to the recipient; b) Follow the manufacturer's instructions for the proper collection and labelling of the pre-transfusion specimen, including the placement and retention of any required secondary bar-coded wristbands; i. All required bar-coded wristbands must be placed on the patient prior to the collection of the pre-transfusion specimen; c) Follow the manufacturer's instructions for the automated matching of the patient to the blood or blood component prior to transfusion; i. If automated scanning mechanisms fail, including the need to perform manual data entry, or if any bar-coded identification band is removed from the patient prior to the transfusion for any reason, the facility must use a two-person patient identification process.	(c) The 'manufacturer' in this instance includes both the vendor of the electronic ID system and the vendor of the bar-coded wristbands, if not the same.