

Replacement Donor Program Information

Please email completed form to kberrier@medicblood.org or fax to 865-521-2642.

A replacement blood drive is usually requested by a family member, friend, or co-worker of someone using blood products. When making a replacement donation, the donor gives away their MEDIC membership credit to the patient. *Note: The donor must note that they want to donate for the patient. MEDIC staff cannot assume each donor is donating for the patient.*

Information:

A. Blood Drive Planning:

- a. At the request for a replacement blood drive, MEDIC staff will begin to plan logistics for the drive, including location, date, and marketing materials.
- b. More than one replacement drive can be scheduled while the patient is receiving products.
- c. Replacement donations can be completed at a replacement blood drive specific for the patient, at any of MEDIC's four donor centers or at any mobile/community blood drive. *Note: They MUST tell MEDIC staff that they are donating for the patient during the check-in process.* Donations made at a center or community/mobile drive will be credited to the patient's MEDIC account once processed by MEDIC staff.

B. Credit Information:

- a. MEDIC will use membership credits to cover a hospital's processing charge for the blood products used. MEDIC does not cover the actual hospital charges.
- b. If the patient is using blood in a hospital serviced by MEDIC Regional Blood Center, one \$15 credit will be applied toward the patient's account at the hospital for each unit that has been transfused.
- c. After credits are applied to the patient account, if 10 or more credits remain, a check will be sent to the patient up to the total amount of blood supplier processing cost on the patient's account. If less than 10 credits remain, the credits will stay active for one year for the benefit of the patient.
- d. If the patient is using blood in a hospital outside of MEDIC's service area, and there are 10 or more donations for that patient, the patient will receive \$15 for each credit, and a check will be sent to the patient up to the total amount of blood supplier processing costs on the patient's account. Note: The patient or the patient's family MUST provide an itemized copy of the patient's hospital bill showing the blood products used before a check can be issued.
- e. Any special donations, including ALYX (double red cells), plasma, or platelets, will equal two \$15 credits for the patient.
- f. Unused credits will remain active for up to 12 months.

Regional Blood Center's Replacement Program.		
Signature	Date	
Printed Name		