

# Activate MAJOR HAEMORRHAGE PROTOCOL

To enable the rapid supply of blood components & rapid transport of blood samples  
**\*\*BEFORE YOU CALL CHECK THE PATIENT'S ID BAND\*\***

## STEP 1.

- **PHONE 2222**
- Say **“MAJOR HAEMORRHAGE, ST JOHN'S HOSPITAL”**
- State your current location
- If an emergency team is needed state **“MEDICAL EMERGENCY” or “OBSTETRIC EMERGENCY” AND “MAJOR HAEMORRHAGE”**

**STAY ON THE LINE WHILST YOU ARE CONNECTED TO BLOOD BANK**

## STEP 2.

### Tell Blood Bank

- Patient's Name, Sex, DoB, CHI number (or UHPI number if no CHI)
- Which blood components you require (BE SPECIFIC, there is no standard pack)
- Define how soon you want blood components: **IMMEDIATE OR WITHIN 30 MINUTES**
- The patient's exact location and any planned moves
- Your Name & Contact Details to act as the point of contact for Blood Bank
- Which blood samples you are sending to the lab. **BLOOD BANK WILL INFORM YOU IF A TRANSFUSION SAMPLE IS REQUIRED**

Major Haemorrhage Porter will automatically be notified of major haemorrhage and attend Blood Bank

## STEP 3.

**Consider administration of tranexamic acid (initial ADULT dose 1 gram I.V.)**

**Confirm activation of the Major Haemorrhage Protocol with the Clinical Team Lead**  
Record which blood components have been requested and when they were ordered

For further communication with Blood Bank/Haematology phone ext 53354

## STEP 4.

**Clinical Team Lead identifies the team member to act as named point of contact with Major Haemorrhage Porter**

- Record receipt of ordered blood components
- Write this information on the MHP feedback sheet provided or somewhere else easily visible
- Handover any samples to the Major Haemorrhage Porter for urgent transfer to the lab

Major Haemorrhage Porter will return to Blood Bank unless advised otherwise

## STEP 5.

**When the rapid supply of blood components & rapid transport of blood samples are no longer required the Clinical Team Lead announces the end of the Major Haemorrhage Protocol**

- Inform Blood Bank the Major Haemorrhage is over
- Ensure all transfusion labels, tags and documentation including MHP feedback sheet are completed and returned

For further guidance about managing a Major Haemorrhage see:  
**Intranet > Directory > Blood Transfusion > Major Haemorrhage**  
or seek advice from on-call Haematologist