BLOOD AND BLOOD PRODUCT TRANSFUSION CDU PROTOCOL

INCLUSION CRITERIA

- Symptomatic anemia or thrombocytopenia with known/established cause
- Deficiency correctable by transfusion
- Stable vital signs with recent labs verifying need for transfusion

EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- Unstable vital signs
- Unknown source/cause of bleeding or blood dyscrasia
- Active bleeding present unless transfusing platelets for thrombocytopenia and patient otherwise stable

CDU INTERVENTIONS AS INDICATED

- IV started, IV hydration as needed
- Transfusion of product
- Monitoring for transfusion reaction
- Hematology consultation as needed
- Repeat CBC following transfusion

CDU DISPOSITION

Home

- Stable vitals
- Symptoms improved
- No fever for one hour after 1 unit PRBC or 1 dose of platelets, for 2 hours after 2 units of PRBC
- No evidence of fluid overload or CHF
- No evidence of transfusion reaction

Admit

- Transfusion reaction
- Unstable vital signs
- Fluid overload, CHF