

Transfusion Management of Major Haemorrhage (Paediatric)



Activation Telephone Number
Raigmore: Dial 2222

Emergency O red cells location

A+E blood fridge 4units
 Theatre blood fridge 2units

Estimated time to receive blood:

- Group O blood immediate
- Group Specific blood 20 mins
- Full X-matched blood 40 mins

Identify Patient has Major Haemorrhage
 20% loss of calculated blood volume in < 1hr
 50% loss of calculated blood volume in < 3hrs
Total blood volume child 80ml/kg ; neonate 90ml/kg

Activate Major Haemorrhage Protocol 2222

Lead Clinician responsibilities

- Call 2222 inform operator MHP and location
- Page BTS confirm products and location needed
- Take blood from patient organise transport to BTS
- Retrieve Fridge O negative blood if required

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RESUSCITATION
 Haemorrhage Control
 Airway
 Breathing
 Circulation

Monitor patients vital signs
ECG, BP, Pulse, Capillary refill, Sats%, glucose, Temperature
Take Blood to monitor
 K+, Ca²⁺, FBC, Clotting, U+E, ABG

Patients blood sent to BTS for
 X-match, FBC, Coags, fibrinogen, U+E, Ca²⁺NPT: ABG
and
Order MHP Products

Red cells	10ml/kg
FFP	10ml/kg

Haemorrhage Control
 Direct pressure
 Tourniquet if appropriate
 Stabilise fractures
 Surgical interventions
 Endoscopic interventions
 Interventional Radiology
 Obstetric/Neonate Mx

Prevent Hypothermia
 Use fluid warming device
 Use forced air warming blanket

Monitor / Treat Hyperkalaemia
 CaCl₂, dextrose+insulin, β₂ agonists, HCO₃

Monitor / Treat Hypocalcaemia
 CaCl₂ 0.1ml/kg iv

Monitor / Treat Acidosis
 Maintain intravascular volume, monitor renal function, avoid hypoglycaemia

Monitor / Treat Volume overload

**Be aware electrolytes change quickly in paediatric patients*

Give MHP products in 10ml/Kg aliquots sequentially
Packed RBC → FFP

Haemostatic Drugs

Tranexamic acid 15mg/kg bolus over 10min followed by infusion 2mg/kg/hr over 8 hrs

Patient on/taken Warfarin
Vitamin K 30mcg/kg

Prothrombin Complex Concentrate
APTT/PT ratio 2 to 3.9 give 25iu/kg PCC
 4 to 5.9 give 35iu/kg PCC
 > 6 give 50iu/kg PCC

Reassess
 Suspected continuing haemorrhage requiring further transfusion
Take bloods and send to lab:
 FBC, Coags, fibrinogen, U+E, Ca²⁺
 Glucose,

Order more MHP products

Red cells	10ml/kg
FFP	10ml/kg

If required

Platelets	10ml/kg
Cryoprecipitate	5ml/kg

Other techniques:
 e.g. **Cell Salvage** if in theatre

1 unit of red cells = c.250 mls salvaged blood

Aims of therapy

Clinical improvement

Hb	>80g/L
Platelets	>75 x 10 ⁹ /l
PT ratio	< 1.5
APTT ratio	<1.5
Fibrinogen	>1.5g/l
Ca ²⁺	>1 mmol/l
Temp	> 36°C
pH	> 7.35 (ABG)
Normal plasma levels	K+, Ca ²⁺

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Packed RBC → FFP/Cryo → Platelets

Following second MHP administered, repeat bloods:
 FBC, Coags, fibrinogen, U+E, Ca²⁺ NPT: ABG
 Inform **BTS** of further blood component requirement

STAND DOWN
 Inform lab,
 Return unused components,
 Complete documentation.

Thromboprophylaxis should be considered when patient stable

ABG-arterial blood gas
 NPT-near patient testing

Coags-Coagulation screen
 (PT, APPT)

MHP-Major Haemorrhage Protocol
 XM-cross match

FFP-fresh frozen plasma
 FBC-full blood count

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