

ST. LOUIS CORD BLOOD BANK CORD BLOOD COLLECTION GUIDELINES

EXCLUSIONS TO COLLECTION:

If during or before delivery, the delivery team recognizes one of the following exclusions, **DO NOT COLLECT** the cord blood.

- Multiple births
- Known positive serology for: HIV, Hep B or C, HTLV-I/II, syphilis, or gonorrhea
- Active sexually transmitted disease at the time of delivery
- Maternal high-risk behavior (IV drug use, taking money or drugs for sex, etc)
- Mother or Father of baby with history of cancer or blood disorder requiring chemotherapy
- Mother of Baby with History of an autoimmune disorder (such as lupus, MS, Crohn's disease, rheumatoid arthritis, or other immunologic disorder) **classified as severe.**
- Blood transfusion during labor and delivery
- Maternal/infant temperature greater than 102° F or 39.0° C
- Malodorous placenta or amniotic fluid, or suspicion of chorioamnionitis
- Excessive maternal bleeding
- Placental trauma or expulsion of placenta before or during collection
- Gestational age < 34 weeks

DISCLOSURE LIST:

If during or before delivery, the delivery team recognizes any of the following, please disclose it on the Labor and Delivery Data Sheet.

- Meconium staining
- Maternal colonization with group B β streptococcus
- Prolonged ruptured membranes (greater than 24 hours) with no concern for infection
- Blood Transfusion after delivery
- Elevated maternal/infant temperature
- Antibiotics and/or other medications used during labor
- History of Herpes or other sexually transmitted disease

REMEMBER:

- Single births only—no twins
- The importance of donor screening can not be over emphasized
- Mothers are strongly encouraged to pre-register with the St. Louis Cord Blood Bank