

## 8189620: Share the workflow for dispensing blood products with blood product order accession number in Cerner Millennium

*Audience: Blood Bank Staff*

- The Blood Product Administration Module (BPAM) will be used in Epic to document transfusions. For BPAM matching to occur, Cerner Millennium Blood Bank staff must use the blood product order accession number when dispensing blood products. The accession number is required for BPAM to receive the unit number, ABORh, product code, and product expiration information for the product being dispensed for matching at the patient bedside.

### Key Takeaways

| What's new                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | What's changing                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | What stays the same                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use of Blood Product Administration Module (BPAM) by nurses in Epic to scan and document administration of blood products</li> <li>Implementation of product order interface between Cerner Millennium and Epic for all hospitals</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Blood documentation will be in the BPAM module using barcode scanning</li> <li>Dispensing blood products with an accession number in Cerner Millennium to enable BPAM use by nursing</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Blood product orders will print in the Blood Bank</li> <li>Release request still required to pick up blood products</li> <li>The Blood pick up slip process will remain the same.</li> </ul> |

### Common Questions

| Question                                                                      | Response                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| Is matching required to administer blood?                                     | Yes, matching is required day 1 of Go-Live.                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Will BPAM be used at Cancer Center locations?                                 | Yes, all Cancer Centers will use scanning for blood products.                                                                                                                                                  |
| What will happen if a blood product is dispensed without an accession number? | BPAM in Epic will not allow scanning without an accession number.                                                                                                                                              |
| Why is the nursing unit calling with issues on the blood administration?      | Nursing has been instructed to call whenever a blood administration error is encountered in Epic. Blood bank and nursing need to work together to ensure appropriate blood product administration takes place. |

### Additional Resources

- For a more in-depth, Northwell specific demonstration, view the following:
  - [2025\\_05\\_06 - Blood Bank - Dispensing Blood Products in Cerner](#)
  - [2025\\_05\\_06 - Blood Bank Presentation Slides](#) (see slides #5 and 6 for examples of the prepare report and pickup report)