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# Transfusion Medicine: Checklists and Challenges

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- **Today's presentation will review:**
  - **Most common checklist deficiencies**
    - **Lab General**
    - **All Common**
    - **Transfusion Medicine**
  - **Checklist Challenges**
    - **Interpretation of requirements**
    - **New requirements**

# Most Common Deficiencies – 2013

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## LAB GENERAL CHECKLIST

- **GEN.55500 Competency Assessment**
  - **Each non-waived test system – to include all 6 required elements**
  - **Waived test systems – elements can be selected**
  - **Semiannually during first year of duties for new employees**
  - **Annually thereafter**
  - **Performed by Technical Supervisor or qualified designee (in writing)**

# Lab General (cont.)

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- **GEN.20375 Document Control System**
  - Policies and procedures are current
  - Personnel are knowledgeable – including defined process for introduction of new or revised documents (sign-off sheets, electronic, meeting minutes)
  - Signed by Laboratory Director before implementation
  - Procedures reviewed per laboratory policy by director or designee (at least biennially)
  - Discontinued policies/procedures removed

# Lab General (cont.)

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- **GEN.75400 Annual Fire Drill**
  - **All staff must participate annually**
  - **Exit fire drill required**
  - **Documented and available – eg, sign-off list or roster; facility fire drill report or assessment is NOT required**
  
- ***CHANGING in 2014 – annual in-service for all, exit fire drill recommended, not required***

## Lab General (cont.)

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- **GEN.77400 Eyewash**
  - Accessible – time/distance
  - Accessible – NOT blocked
  - Eyewash check documented weekly
  - Tepid temperature

# Most Common Deficiencies – All Common Checklist

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- **COM.01400 PT Attestation Page**
  - Written signature of Lab Director or designee (even if submitted electronically)
  - Designee must be in writing
- **COM.01700 PT Evaluation**
  - Prompt evaluation
  - All unacceptable results
  - Includes follow-up/corrective action

## All Common Checklist (cont.)

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- **COM.10000 Procedure Manual**
  - Complete and current (outdated retired)
- **COM.10100 Procedure Manual Review**
  - Per laboratory policy (at least biennially)
  - At individual procedure level OR multiple signatures on a list of procedures
  - Electronic OR written signature acceptable
  - Laboratory Director or designee (in writing)



## All Common Checklist (cont.)

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- **COM.30300 Reagent Labeling – revised expiration date must be recorded on container or log**
- **COM.30350 Reagent Storage**
  - per manufacturer requirements
  - Temperatures recorded daily
- **COM.30400 Reagent Expiration Date – used within expiration date**
- **COM.30450 New Lot/Shipment – confirmation of acceptability**

# Most Common Deficiencies – Transfusion Medicine Checklist

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- **TRM.31450 Comparability of Instrument/Method**
  - **Non-waived instruments/methods; eg, Gel vs. tube method, multiple instruments, etc.**
  - **Twice/year**
  - **Acceptability criteria defined**
  - **Documented review**

*Moving to All Common checklist in 2014*

# Most Common Deficiencies – Transfusion Medicine Checklist

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- **TRM.41025/41650 Transfusionist Training and Transfusion Reaction Recognition – annual education required for ALL transfusionists**
- **TRM.31227 Package Inserts**
  - **Current**
  - **Process defined to ensure current and no changes**

## Transfusion Medicine Checklist (cont.)

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- **TRM.30000 Ongoing Record Evaluation**
  - QC records
  - Instrument maintenance/ function checks
  - Temperature records – 7 days/wk; 52 wks/yr
  - Comparability studies
  - Alarm checks
- **TRM.32000 Routine Maintenance Schedule**
  - All instruments/ equipment
  - As specified by manufacturer (at a minimum)
  - Reviewed monthly

***Moving to All Common checklist in 2014***

# Transfusion Medicine Checklist (cont.)

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- **TRM.42850 Alarm Sensors To Trigger Action Needed**
  - Set to alarm prior to falling out of range
  - Corrective action documented
  - Review documented
- **TRM.42470 Acceptance Back Into Inventory**
  - Process documented
  - Criteria defined
- **TRM.30866 Service Agreement – approved, written agreement defining transfusion support services to all clinical areas served**

# Checklist “Challenges”

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- Interpretation of requirements - sources
  - Participants - [calls/accred@cap.org](mailto:calls/accred@cap.org) questions
  - Inspectors
  - Deficiency challenges
- Checklist changes

# Interpretation “challenges”

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- **GEN.54400/54750 Personnel Records**
  - Personnel license alone acceptable only if required by your state
  - Copy of diploma or transcript required if state licensure not applicable
    - Must include course of study, eg, Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology, Biology, etc.
  - Non-US degrees require foreign equivalency evaluation; eg, NACES, AICE and others
  - Certification – copy needed only if required by state or employer; eg, ASCP

## Interpretation “challenges” (cont.)

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- **COM.30450 New Reagent Lot Verification**
  - **Applicable to all reagents/antisera/kits**
  - **Requires documentation and review**
  
- **COM.10600 Manufacturer Instructions**
  - **Any change to instructions requires verification**
  - **Change in waived test instructions makes test high complexity (and changes personnel requirements)**



## Interpretation “challenges” (cont.)

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- **TRM.30575 Misidentification Risk – documented action or plan to reduce misidentification risk**
- **TRM.31900 Serologic Centrifuge Checks – RPM and mechanical timer checks required each 6 months**
- **TRM.42110 TRALI - documented program or agreement with blood supplier for measures to reduce the risk of TRALI**

# Interpretation “challenges” (cont.)

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- **TRM.41525/ 41550/ 41600 Perioperative/ Intraoperative Blood Programs**
  - **Defined responsibility of Laboratory Director and laboratory in perioperative and intraoperative programs**
  - **Documented Laboratory Director involvement in policies and procedures**
- **TRM.30950 CBER Notification**
  - **FDA biological product deviation reporting requirements (website: [www.fda.gov/cber](http://www.fda.gov/cber))**
  - **Includes testing, component prep, labeling, storage, and distribution of units**

# Checklist requirement update

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## New/Revised requirements – 2013

- **TRM.45165 Blood Vessel Storage – requires procedures and records in accordance with US Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network (OPTN)**
- **TRM.42750/42800 Storage Unit Alarms**
  - Combined into one requirement
  - Requires quarterly checks
- **Separate Donor Apheresis and Therapeutic Apheresis sections; however, no “new” requirements**

# Checklist requirement update

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## New/Revised requirements – 2014

- **Most instrument/equipment requirements moved to All Common Checklist; TRM-specific requirements only remain in TRM**
- **TRM.31250 Reagent Expiration Dates**
  - **Written policy required**
  - **Documented attempts to procure reagents**
- **TRM.42500 Blood/Component Storage Monitoring**
  - **Specific addition of applicability to storage outside of Transfusion Service, eg, surgery, nursing, dialysis**

# Checklist requirement update

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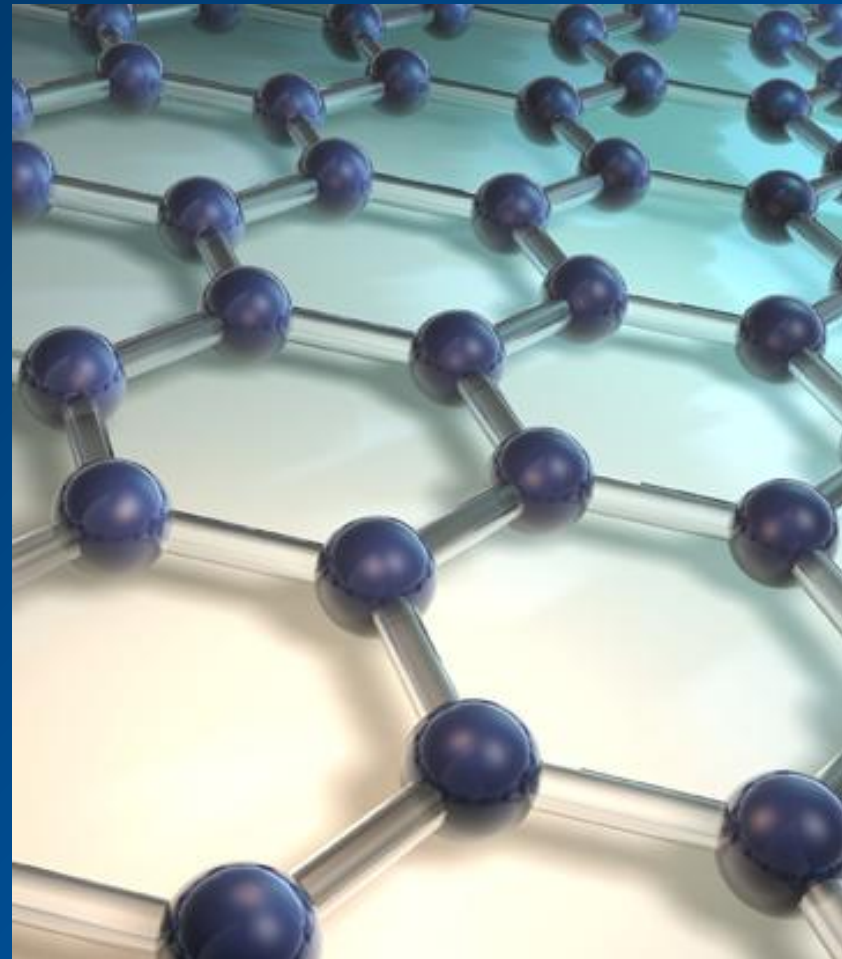
## DONOR APHERESIS

- **TRM.42214 Donor Eligibility**
  - Policy defining donor eligibility criteria
  - Documented evaluation of criteria
- **TRM.42222 Donor Informed Consent – signed consent must be maintained**
- **TRM.42224 Adverse Reaction – documented procedure for the recognition, treatment, tracking, and trending of adverse reactions**

# Resources

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- Phone: 1-800-323-4040 (CAP Customer Contact Center)
- E-mail: [accred@cap.org](mailto:accred@cap.org)
- [cap.org/e-LAB](http://cap.org/e-LAB) Solutions Connect tools:
  - Personnel
  - Proficiency Testing
  - Change forms
  - Master and Custom Checklists (eg, references, Word documents, and Excel spreadsheets)





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