



### **Emergency or Unidentified Patient**

- Refer to Blood Bank procedure “Emergency Release” or “Massive Transfusion”
- Refer to the EPIC Blood order set-nursing

### **Physician Clinics**

- Refer to the Test Catalog for specimen requirements.
- Specimen must be legibly labeled with:
  - Patient's name (first, last, and middle initial)
  - Date of birth
  - Phlebotomist's initials
  - Date and time of collection.
- Relabeling of specimens is not allowed and will require recollection.

### **Reference Testing**

- Contact the Blood Bank at 712-279-3164 extension #4 to initiate consultation request and determine specimen requirements.
- Specimen transportation is the responsibility of the requesting facility.
- Complete and submit a “Blood Bank Request Form” located under General Information in this catalog.
- Specimen must be legibly labeled with:
  - Patient's name (first, last, and middle initial)
  - Date of birth
  - Phlebotomist's initials
  - Date and time of collection.
- Relabeling of specimens is not allowed and will require recollection.

### **Inpatient and Outpatient Testing**

- Orders are entered in EPIC.
- All Blood Bank specimens must be collected either by lab personnel or under supervision of laboratory personnel.
  - Exceptions:
    - Cord blood specimen which may be collected and labeled by nursing staff and labeled with:
      - Chart Label
      - “Cord Blood”
      - Time of collection
      - Collector ID
    - Surgery or infusion staff:
      - Chart Label
      - Date and time of collection
      - 2 sets of Collector's initials verifying patient identity
- Mislabeled specimens will not be accepted for testing and require recollection.