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Pragmatic, Randomized Optimal Platelet and Plasma Ratios



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Seeking Community Input Research Study for Blood Transfusions in Trauma Patients June 2012

Learn about an emergency blood transfusion study at LAC+USC Medical Center that may affect you or someone you know

Traumatic injury is the number one cause of death for people under the age of 45. The PROPPR study, starting soon at LAC+USC Medical Center, is trying to find the best way to give blood transfusions to people ages 15 and older with serious injuries who need a massive blood transfusion. The goal of this study is to learn which ratio of blood products will improve survival. Both ratios are in widespread clinical use in the United States.

All other treatment and care the patients will get at LAC+USC will remain the same. If a patient is not in the study, the amount of blood products they get is decided by the trauma surgeons, and not by the study.

Normally, researchers ask the patient, legal guardian, or surrogate for consent before a patient is enrolled into a study. Because a patient with a serious injury will not be able to give consent when they arrive at LAC+USC, the surgeons will enroll patients into the study without getting consent. This is called, "Exception from Informed Consent". We will contact a legal guardian or surrogate as soon as possible to tell them about this study and get their permission for the patient to remain in the study. Patients can choose to drop out of the study at any time.

The reason you are seeing this handout is we want to let the community know about this study and get comments from the community. We also want to provide contact information and resources where you can learn more about the study, including an option to decline to take part in the study in the event you are injured. This study is approved by the LAC+USC Medical Center Institutional Review Board, a committee that reviews research studies to protect the rights and welfare of participants.

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