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Emerson Hospital Blood Donor Center Physician Request Form for Hereditary Hemochromatosis

Patient _____ M F Date of Birth _____
First, Middle, Last month/day/year

Address _____
Street city state zipcode

Phone (Home) _____ Phone (cell) _____

The above patient has been diagnosed with hereditary Hemochromatosis (HH). The patient understands that he/she will not be Charged any fee for this service, but has agreed to donate the blood drawn for transfusion purposes if he/she meets the criteria for allogeneic donation. Furthermore, he/she has agreed that I furnish the following clinical and laboratory information.

Cirrhosis: Yes ___ No ___ HFE Genotype: _____ Most recent ferritin result _____ Test date _____

General Recommendations for Management of Hereditary Hemochromatosis

- For iron depletion, weekly or biweekly whole blood phlebotomy for a total of 10-12 phlebotomies with a serum ferritin goal of 50-100 ug/ml
- Once ferritin goal is achieved, maintenance phlebotomy schedules should be implemented. Because iron re-accumulation rates vary, frequency of maintenance phlebotomy should be tailored individually to maintain a ferritin of 50-100 ug/ml (which may require 2-12 phlebotomies a year).
- Pre-phlebotomy hemoglobin should remain normal because the goal of phlebotomy is to achieve low normal iron store, not iron deficiency or anemia.
- Excessively frequent phlebotomies resulting in ferritin below 50 ug/ml may increase iron absorption in patients with Hereditary Hemochromatosis and therefore not advisable.

Please refer to Bacon BR et al, 2011 *Hepatology*, AASLD for complete Practice Guidelines.

*****Please draw a 450 ml unit of whole blood every _____ week(s) or _____ month(s).
***provided that the HEMOGLOBIN result of fingerstick is greater than _____ gms/dl.**

Note: Hemoglobin will be checked by the HemoCue each visit

*****Additional Laboratory Testing orders: _____ Frequency _____**

Physician Signature: _____ Date: _____

This order must be renewed annually

Physician Name: _____

Office Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Signature of Blood Bank Medical Director: _____ Date: _____

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