

FDA's Updated Information for Blood Establishments Regarding the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Outbreak

FDA continues to work closely with CDC and other federal and international agencies to monitor the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic caused by the virus, SARS-CoV-2. Respiratory viruses, in general, are not known to be transmitted by blood transfusion. There have been no reported cases of transfusion-transmitted coronavirus, including SARS-CoV-2, worldwide.

Routine measures used to determine blood donor eligibility prevent individuals with clinical respiratory infections from donating blood. As communities are affected, it is imperative that healthy individuals continue to donate blood.

Do Not Donate Blood Today If:

- **In the past 14 days, you have had any symptoms of COVID-19.**
 - ❖ **Donor Eligibility:** FDA suggests that an individual diagnosed with COVID-19 or who is suspected of having COVID-19, and who had symptomatic disease, refrain from donating blood for at least **14 days** after complete resolution of symptoms.

- **In the past 14 days, you had a positive diagnostic test (nasal swab test) for COVID-19 but you never developed symptoms.**
 - ❖ **Donor Eligibility:** FDA suggests that an individual who had a positive diagnostic test for SARS-CoV-2 (e.g., nasopharyngeal swab), but never developed symptoms, refrain from donating at least **14 days** after the date of the positive test result.

If you think you should not donate based on the information above, you may leave at this time.

If you have questions, please let us know!

THANK YOU FOR DONATING BLOOD TODAY!

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