TRANSFUSION MEDICINE

Updated Guidelines - Immune Globulin Utilization Management

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We want to thank you for supporting the immune globulin ordering process change in Manitoba which launched in 2020. These efforts ensure our supply can remain stable and available for timely patient care.

We are continuing to see improvements in our work to conserve the supply of immune globulin. Trends indicate we will see a continued decrease in utilization in 2022 – a 13 per cent decrease this year compared to last year – which brings us in line with other provinces' rates of use.

What's New:

Recently a representative group of physicians from Manitoba collaborated with physicians from Saskatchewan and Alberta to update the <u>Prairie Collaborative Immune Globulin Utilization Management</u> <u>Framework</u>. Please familiarize yourself with the updated guidelines linked above and below. These guidelines are in place and will continue to be implemented on a go-forward basis.

Thank you again for your patience, flexibility and commitment to resource stewardship in Manitoba. Our immune globulin supply is being used more efficiently and effectively and is prioritized for patient care using best practices.

References/Resources:

- https://bestbloodmanitoba.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Prairie-Ig-Final-Guideline-09.02.22.pdf
- https://bestbloodmanitoba.ca/for-clinicians/

More Information:

• <u>https://sharedhealthmb.ca/health-providers/diagnostic-services/clinical-practice-changes/#38-</u> 299-transfusion-medicine-1578319237

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