

Current Considerations for Plasma Donation Centers for COVID-19

(Subject to Revision)

Practice social distancing

- Close internal waiting rooms. Ask donors to wait outside, keeping 6 feet between donors.
- Operate by appointment if possible
- Post educational information for donors in the center and on the company website:
 - o Importance of donating plasma especially during this time
 - Importance of self-deferral and leaving the premises if in a designated risk category
- Pre-screen donors for temperature and travel/exposure/recovery BEFORE entering the plasma center
- Allow only prospective donors who have been pre-screened to enter the center—no children, no family members or friends
- Once in the center, make sure there is a 6-foot distance between a donor and any other donor—positioning of donor history stations; donor screening booths and donor beds. If it requires moving stations or using every-other-one, implement those precautions.
- Place hand sanitizers in the line before donors can use check-in devices or donor history stations

Practice good hygiene—employees and donors

- Wash your hands, especially after touching any frequently used item or surface
- Avoid touching your face
- Sneeze or cough into a tissue, or the inside of your elbow, and immediately throw the tissue into the trash.
- Disinfect frequently used items and surfaces as much as possible

Follow CDC Recommendations for Environmental Cleaning and Disinfection

- https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/cleaning-disinfection.html
- Enhance cleaning/disinfection schedules
- Clean all beds and surfaces between donors

Follow CDC Recommendations for Employers

- https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response.html
- Post signage with CDC guidelines on hand-washing procedure in all donor and employee bathrooms, in staff lounges and training rooms, and near all sinks.
- Advise employees with respiratory symptoms of any kind to stay home
- Screen employees for temperatures and if elevated, do not allow employee to work

Provide guidance to donors for post-donation

- Practice social distancing and good hygiene after leaving center
- Report illness back to plasma center, particularly if diagnosed with COVID-19
- Defer any donor who reports diagnosed or suspected COVID-19 for authority-suggested time period: ECDC-14 days; FDA-28 days