



Emerson Health 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 zip code

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 unit (450-500) 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 \_\_\_\_\_

*Fax completed form to Blood Bank Transfusion services 978-287-3984. (phone 978-287-3360)*