

**GUJARAT STATE COUNCIL FOR BLOOD TRANSFUSION**

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To,  
Blood Bank In-charge,  
(All Blood Banks)

Sub: Providing free Blood to Thalassemia, Sickle Cell Anemia and Hemophilia patients.

With reference to the subject mentioned above, as per NACO's guidelines Thalassemia, Sickle Cell Anemia and Hemophilia patients are to be provided free blood by all Blood Banks. These patients are provided blood without taking service charge. However, hospitals are recovering transfusion charges from the patients.

It has been decided in the Governing Body Meeting of Gujarat State Council for Blood Transfusion held on 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2013, that no transfusion charges are to be recovered from the patients.

Accordingly, all the concerned Blood Banks/Hospitals are directed to ensure that, blood to be provided to Thalassemia, Sickle Cell Anemia and Hemophilia patients without taking any service charge and even for the blood transfusion, no charge will be taken.

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Director

Gujarat State Council for Blood Transfusion  
Ahmedabad

Cc. to :

1. Additional Director, Medical Services, Gandhinagar to inform all the Blood Banks run under your region.
2. Additional Director, Medical Education, Gandhinagar to inform all the Blood Banks run under your region.
3. CDMO cum Civil Surgeon, to inform all the Blood Banks and Hospitals of your District.
4. Chairman Shri, Indian Red Cross Society, Gujarat State Branch, to inform all the Blood Banks run under your region.
5. D.T.H.O. (all) for information.
6. President, Indian Medical Association, Gujarat Branch to inform all the concerned members.