

# Let's celebrate the donor's precious gift this festive season



**CHECK – Are there any planned changes within your health service? Yes/No**  
**Will this impact on blood use?**

**YES**

**Contact your local blood transfusion laboratory and outline the proposed changes**

**NO**

**Order wisely – use patient blood management strategies:**

- Single unit transfusion
- Treatment of symptomatic anaemia
- Iron for iron deficiency



**A donor's gift = donor's goodwill + donor's time + manufacturing cost of \$375.03**

**Be prepared to start the transfusion:**

- Patent IV access
- Baseline observations
- Informed consent documented
- Staff and patient ready
- Then collect product



**the waste this festive season**

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