

## **Blood Services Group**

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Dear Parents/guardian

We would appreciate if you could read the **Information for Parents/Guardian** before giving your consent for your child/ward to donate blood.

## **INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/GUARDIAN**

Blood donation is one of the kindest and most generous acts that one human being can do for another.

Any healthy person between the age of 18 and 60 years can give blood. Those who are from 16 to 17 years old may also donate if they have their parent's/guardian's consent.

The donor needs to be well on the day of donation. He/She should not have a sore throat, cold, fever or flulike symptoms. After donation, donors are provided with iron tablets and a leaflet explaining post-donation care such as avoiding strenuous activity, drinking more fluids and contact numbers if a donor feels unwell. (For more information visit www.hsa.gov.sg)

Generally the blood donation process involves the following steps:

The donor needs:

- to complete a Donor Health Assessment Questionnaire and Declaration Form(HAQ)(available on the HSA
  website at www.hsa.gov.sg) which has questions on the donor's general health, travel history and
  lifestyle.
- to bring along NRIC or other official photo identification showing date of birth for registration. If donor is from another country, please bring either work permit, S pass, E pass, dependent pass or passport.
- to go through medical screening, as detailed in HAQ. Blood pressure, pulse, body weight and temperature will be taken.
- to go through a haemoglobin check to ensure that donor is eligible for donation.
- to receive a small local anaesthetic (painkiller) injection before the insertion of the donation needle. 300-350ml of blood will be taken if body weight is 45-50kg and 450ml will be taken if body weight is 50kg and above.
- to rest after the donation for 5 to 10 minutes and a light refreshment will be served. The donor should leave the donation site only if he/she feels well.

## PARENTAL/GUARDIAN CONSENT FORM For 16 and 17 year-old blood donors

(Please write clearly using a permanent blue or black ink pen)

DONOR	
Name of my *child/ward	
*NRIC No/Passport No	
Name of School	
PARENT/GUARDIAN	
Name	Relationship with child/ward
Contact No	
NRIC No	
I, hereby confirm that I am the *parent/guardian of th for Parents/Guardian and give my permission for *him/her t same consents as those required under the HAQ. I declare the rep by my *child/ward under the HAQ to be true, accurate and compand declaration.	to donate blood and give on behalf of *him/her the bresentations and information required to be provided
Signature of *Parent/ Guardian *delete as appropriate	Date of Consent

<sup>\*</sup>This consent form is valid for 3 months from date of consent.