



To: Carter BloodCare Transfusion Services Managers
From: Hospital Relations
Date: September 25, 2025
Re: Trade Tariffs Update

Carter BloodCare has currently absorbed tariff charges passed on by our vendors. Earlier this year, we communicated our intention to avoid transferring this cost to our partners through various mitigation strategies. In correlation with our budgeting and financial planning, it has become clear that the strategy to absorb all tariff charges is unsustainable, and we must implement a cost-sharing strategy based on the tariff-driven fees primarily associated with blood collection bags/sets.

Beginning November 1, 2025, Carter BloodCare will implement a Tariff Surcharge Recovery Fee applied to all red blood cell units in the form of a Carter BloodCare charge code (Bcode) BTSR1 in the amount of \$3 per red blood cell unit.

If this pass-through charge is deemed unnecessary in the future, we will communicate accordingly and remove this fee.

We are grateful for the partnerships that we enjoy with you in the service of your patients.

Questions and Additional Information

Please contact Hospital Relations at hospitalrelations@carterbloodcare.org with any questions or concerns.