



**To:** Transfusion Services Managers  
**From:** Hospital Relations  
**Date:** May 21, 2020  
**Re:** UPDATE – COVID-19 Convalescent Plasma Fee

### **Background**

Carter BloodCare had received communication from America's Blood Centers (ABC) suggesting that current levels of reimbursement from BARDA for COVID-19 convalescent plasma (CCP) would end this week, after which time, blood centers would bill hospitals directly for CCP.

### **Update**

We have now been told under the terms of the EAP, blood centers are unable to bill hospitals for CCP distributed to EAP patients. We apologize for the previously relayed information. ABC is actively working with FDA, BARDA, Mayo and others to resolve this situation and with all due speed.

The hope is that additional funding will be approved by BARDA to continue the program after this week. We will keep you posted on any developments.

Please know that Carter BloodCare will continue to make CCP available to meet your patient needs.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any concerns or questions.