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Could a more robust **blood ordering** process improve patient blood management?



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Could biomedical scientists play a more active role in promoting appropriate blood use?

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How can we ensure the training and competencies of those involved in the transfusion process is effective and of a high standard?

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How can errors in the transfusion process be further reduced?

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What areas of research in clinical aspects of transfusion be prioritised?

Who should do the prioritisation?

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How can a patient's previous transfusion history, including antibodies and special requirements, be better communicated between hospitals?

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Platelet usage has been shown to be increasing in recent years. Is this due to a greater need or to greater inappropriate use? If the latter, what can be done about it?

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Has the Blood Safety and Quality Regulations significantly increased the bureaucracy and cost of the blood transfusion process with no benefit for the safety of patients?

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Will the development of the hub and spoke and satellite delivery model for pathology services jeopardise service quality and patient safety?