

# NMDP's efforts to support cord blood

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# **Executive Summary**

NMDP is committed to ensuring research on CB is available to the community

NMDP is committed to providing CB for cell and gene therapy developers

NMDP is committed to educating healthcare providers and stakeholders about CB and best practices

NMDP is committed to CB being part of the future cell therapy landscape



# Agenda

- Inventory
- Program Enhancements
- Selection Guidelines and CIBMTR proposal to address the guidelines
- Data Sets from CIBMTR
- Immersion Program
- Consultation Program
- Expanded Cord Blood Program
- CBB Alliance
- Future directions: Implementation of BMT CTN trial 1702 to pivot to alternative donors



### Cord Blood Inventory & Utilization

# Diversity in Supply & Demand



#### CBUs fulfill an unmet need for ethnically diverse patient Ethnic Diversity of Patients with CBU Shipments Shows percent of patients with a CBU shipment per guarter who are Ethnically Diverse. Patients with a race group

of White or Unknown are classified as Not Ethnically Diverse. 100% 75% 50% 25% 52% 51% 51% 48% 49% 50% 47% 38% 0% FY2023-01 FY2023-02 FY2023-03 FY2023-Q4 FY2024-Q1 FY2024-02 FY2024-Q3 FY2024-04

Ethnically Diverse

CBUs Shipped by Quarter and CBU Ethnic Diversity

Percent of shipped domestic CBUs that are ethnically diverse. Includes scheduled shipments through current quarter.



Ethnically Diverse

#### CBU Domestic Patient Ethnic Diversity

In the last 8 Quarters, 50% of US Domestic Patients receiving CB were Ethnically Diverse

Shipped Domestic CBU Ethnic Diversity

In the last 8 Quarters, 56% of US Domestic CBUs Shipped were Ethnically Diverse

#### FIND CURES. SAVE LIVES.

### **Cure-Ready CBUs**

Cure-Ready designation went into effect on 10/26/2020.

High-resolution confirmatory typing at 6 loci (-A, -B, -C, -DRB1, -DPB1 and-DQB1,) completed &

release/potency testing completed/passed in accordance with the cord blood bank protocols.



# NMDP Cord Blood Program Recent Initiatives



### **Operational Support & Improvements**

Member CBB Survey Enhancements	Affiliated CBB Survey Overhaul	CBU Practice Unit Process Improvements & Awareness	Bi-Annual Continuous Performance Improvements Report Rebuild
OB Training Process Enhancements	CB Immersion Program Interactive Training Module Creation	CBB Recruitment Collateral Updates and Re-Brand	Cord Blood Bank Alliance Established



### System Enhancements

NCBI Funding Process Automation & Reporting Improvements

#### CBB Data Reporting Dashboard Rebuild

MatchSource CB Search & Selection Enhancements CordSource Application Enhancements and Maintenance

Network Website TC Cord Blood Transplant Hub Created

Cord Blood Data Set Established Public Availability

CBU Cure-Ready Concept Established and Implemented CordSource Interactive Training User Guide Rebuild



### **Relationship Management**

CBB Partner Gatherings Quarterly WMDA CB Steering Committee Involvement

Anthony Nolan Partnership CBB Contingency Guidelines paper (Collaboration w/ CB community)

Shipping Best Practices paper (Collaboration w/ CB Community)

World Cord Blood Day Annual Support Cord Blood Awareness Month Annual Support

ONE Forum Conf. Sessions

Cord Blood Connect Conf. Presence

CIBMTR CB Data Working Group Involvement CB HRSA Deliverable Ownership



CBU Selection Guidelines





The guidelines created jointly with the NMDP Histocompatibility Advisory Group, which consists of key opinion leaders in immunogenetics and HCT are based on current and relevant data supporting optimal HLA donor– recipient matching criteria and other factors affecting graft selection.

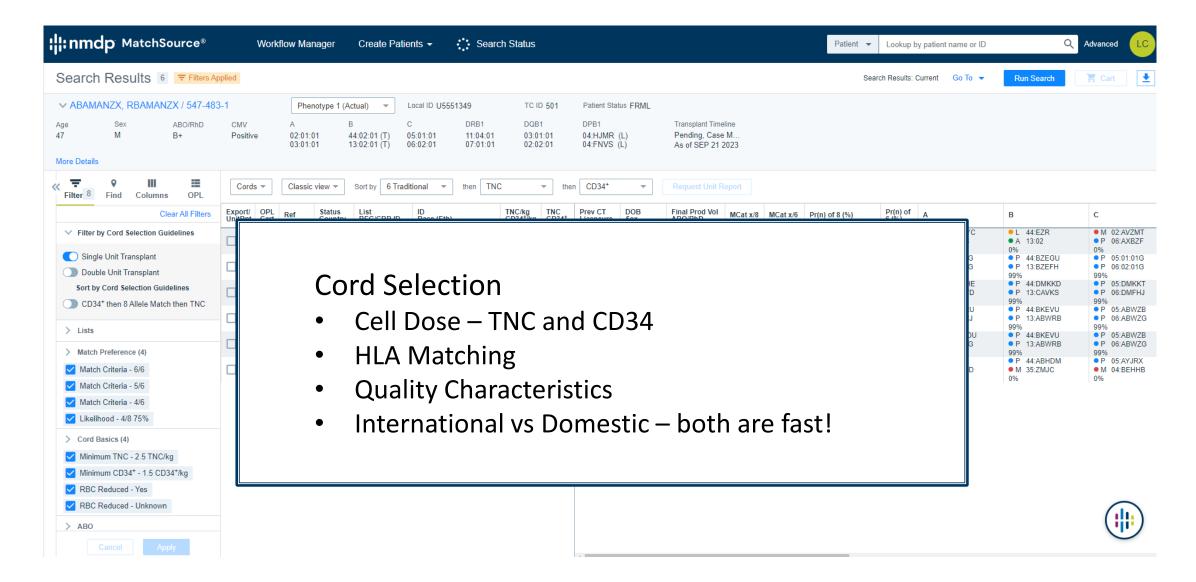


## Guidelines

	Guidelines	
Bank practices		
Attached segment identity testing	Mandatory	
Use of RBC-replete units*†	Not recommended	
Cryovolume‡	Should be considered, especially if the unit is to be diluted post thaw	
Year of cryopreservation	More recent units may be linked to optimal banking practices depending on the bank	
Bank location	Domestic or international units fulfilling selection criteria	
Bank accreditation and/or licensure	Should be considered	
HLA match		
Resolution of HLA typing	Minimum of 8 high-resolution (HLA-A, HLA-B, HLA-C, and HLA-DRB1) for both patient and CB unit	
Donor–recipient HLA match	≥4/6 HLA-A and HLA-B antigen, HLA-DRB1 high-resolution (traditional match), and ≥4/8 high-resolution match (some centers investigating use of 4/6 and 3/8 units if adequate dose)	
Unit–unit HLA match for double unit CBT	Not required	
Avoidance of units against which recipient has DSA§	Conflicting results in hematological malignancies; avoid if nonmalignant diagnosis	
Cryopreserved cell dose  ¶#		
Single-unit CBT: minimum dose/kg	TNC $\geq$ 2.5 $\times$ 10 <sup>7</sup> /kg and CD34 <sup>+</sup> cells $\geq$ 1.5 $\times$ 10 <sup>5</sup> /kg (some centers recommend higher CD34 <sup>+</sup> dose as minimum)	
Double-unit CBT: minimum dose/kg per unit	TNC $1.5 \times 10^{7}$ /kg for each unit and CD34 <sup>+</sup> cells $\geq 1.0 \times 10^{5}$ /kg for each unit (some centers recommend higher CD34 <sup>+</sup> doses for each unit as minimum)	

Dehn et al, 2019

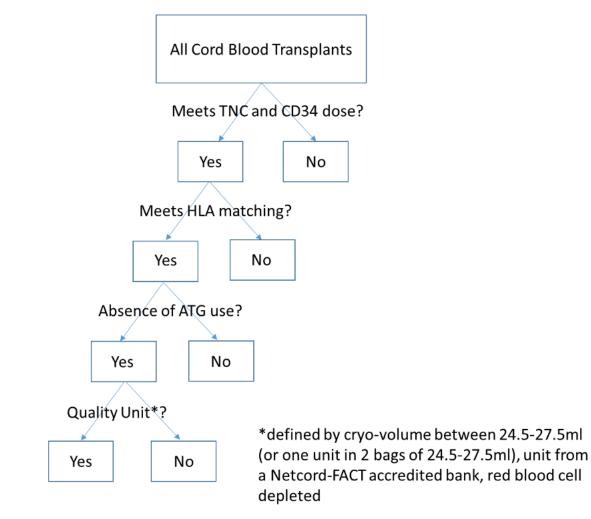






### CIBMTR Immunobiology Proposal – Metheny et al.

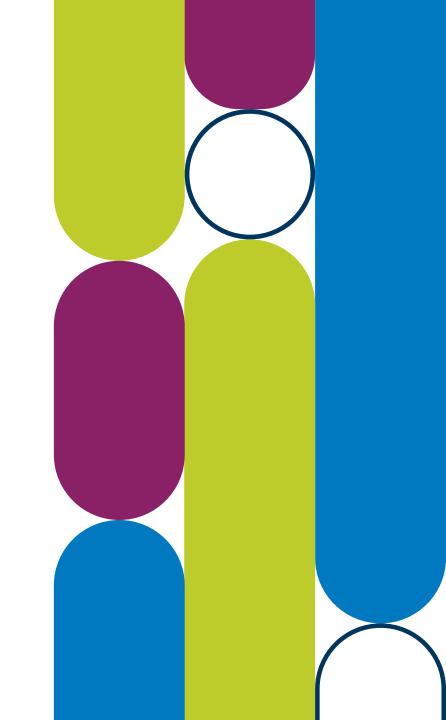
To compare the overall survival (primary outcome), non-relapse mortality, relapse rate and disease free survival (at 1, 3, & 5 years posttransplant) between cord blood transplants (both double and single) that adhered to cord blood guidelines (TNC dose, CD34 dose, HLA matching, and avoidance of ATG) with cord blood transplants that did not adhere to cord blood guidelines.







# CIBMTR Cord Blood Reports



### **Cord Blood Quarterly Quality Reports**

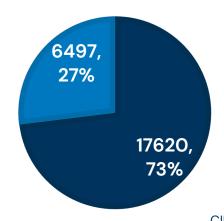
- Infusion dates (all)
- Number of cord blood units infused (includes cord blood infusions facilitated by NMDP for which infusions occurred more than 3 months ago)
   CORD BLOOD INFUSIONS

■ US HCT Transplants

Non-US HCT Transplants



- US HCT transplant centers: 17,620
- Non-US HCT transplant centers: 6,497





#### Cord Blood Quality Report Fields

- Identifiers
- Patient Demographics
- Disease
- Transplant Characteristics
- Product Characteristics
- Outcomes





# **Cord Blood De-Identified Dataset**

- Dataset is limited to a fixed set of variables
- Fields: 213 fields in De-Identified Reports
- Infusion dates: 1999 Current
- Only includes data on consented records
- Reports
  - Cord Blood De-Identified Quality Dataset
  - Cord Blood Patient Level Dataset
  - Data Dictionary



### Cord Blood Data Set

### Identifiers

#### Patient Demographics

#### Disease

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# Proposals

- Once approved by CIBMTR Leadership, access to the De-Identified dataset will be granted.
- All proposed projects using this resource will be shared with the Cord Blood Advisory Group (CBAG).
- At the 6 month & 1-year timepoint, CIBMTR will follow up to learn of the study progress and outcomes.
- We have received 4 proposals for the dataset





# Cord Blood Transplant Immersion Program

Supported by Health Resources Services Administration (HRSA)



### **Cord Blood Transplant Immersion Program**

We are proud to announce the first Cord Blood Transplant Immersion Program!

- Two junior physician mentees, one specializing in adult transplant and one specializing in pediatric, will participate in this inaugural program by spending two weeks on-site learning from an expert mentor
- Mentees will complete educational modules created by leaders in the cord blood community
- This program is intended to help establish the next generation of welltrained and competent transplant clinicians, improving quality of practice and ultimately patient outcomes of cord blood transplantation

The Cord Blood Immersion Program has been made possible through the support of the Health Resources Services Administration (HRSA) and NMDP.



### Identifying potential mentees

- Transplant centers were categorized based on patient population and cord blood usage
- Special focus was given to centers with patient populations that had high rates
  of pediatric and/or racially and ethnically diverse patients, as well as those with
  a low volume of cord blood use
- NMDP Clinical Operations Partners from these centers were provided with application materials and talking points and reached out to program directors
- NMDP posted application materials on X and LinkedIn social media channels
- Received six qualified applicants; could select two for participation

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