

**Rancho Los Amigos
Blood Bank Specimen Collection Guide**

Test	Specimen Container	Minimum Volume	Specimen Stability	Transport
ABO/Rh	EDTA (pink top)	1 mL whole Blood 5 mL preferred	3 days refrigerated for patient testing	RT
ABO/Rh Repeat	EDTA (pink top)	1 mL whole Blood	3 days refrigerated for patient testing	RT
Crossmatch ** (Compatibility testing)	EDTA (pink top)	1 mL whole Blood 5 mL preferred	3 days refrigerated for patient testing	RT
Direct Coombs	EDTA (pink top)	1 mL whole Blood	3 days refrigerated for patient testing	RT
Transfusion Reaction Workup**	EDTA (pink top)	1 mL whole Blood 5 mL preferred	3 days refrigerated for patient testing	RT
Type and Screen **	EDTA (pink top)	1 mL whole Blood 5 mL preferred	3 days refrigerated for patient testing	RT

** Additional specimen may be required if Antibody Identification is indicated