



Duke Regional Hospital Transfusion Service



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Number of lab team members: 15

Overview

DRH Transfusion Service is located in the medium-sized, community hospital of the three hospitals currently comprising part of the Duke University Health System. We provide transfusion services to an ever expanding patient population which can require something as straightforward as a blood type to the complex testing necessary to support cutting edge treatments in oncology.

Grifol's Home Lab

When Grifols relocated their North American headquarters to Raleigh, North Carolina, the DRH Transfusion Service became their "Home Lab." This honor was given to us for the work our staff has done in the last six years to demonstrate and/or discuss the Grifols Erytra to other transfusion services looking at instrumentation.

Focus and Volume

Lab Focus

- Transfusion support for patients requiring blood products in critical care, emergent, medical, obstetrical, oncological and surgical settings.

Location and Hours

DRH Clinical Laboratories, 2nd Floor
North Durham

24/7 Lab

New in the Lab

Staff - we hired three new techs in August!

Fun Facts

We are blessed to have a very diverse staff from different parts of the world with experience ranging from new graduates to well-seasoned blood bankers. Additionally, two members of our staff are US Army veterans - one career Army who retired as a Colonel after providing transfusion services to wounded front line soldiers in Operation Desert Storm and the second, a young woman who served with the 95th Medical Detachment at Camp Humphreys in Pyeongtaek, South Korea, distributing blood to our theaters of operation.