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Plasma Protein and Related Products Contract Extensions

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Dear colleagues

In light of COVID-19 and its current and potential impact on the health system in the coming months, Canadian Blood Services has decided to exercise options to extend select contracts with existing vendors of plasma protein and related products (PPRP). Specifically:

- Recombinant factor concentrate contracts will be extended until March 31, 2022.
- Volume expander (albumin), immune globulin, S/D plasma and other plasma-derived PPRP contracts will be extended until March 31, 2023.

COVID-19 represents a significant challenge for the health system that is expected to continue for some time. By extending current contracts, we hope to create a period of stability for our hospital customers and allow you to remain focused on addressing COVID-19-related challenges.

Extending existing contracts will not preclude adding new products to our PPRP formulary, if they become available.

Please share a copy of this customer letter with healthcare professionals at your hospital who might be interested in this information.

This customer letter can also be viewed at www.blood.ca in the "Hospitals Services" section. If you have questions about this letter, or if you require it in an accessible format, please contact your local hospital liaison specialist.

Sincerely,

Mark Newburgh
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