

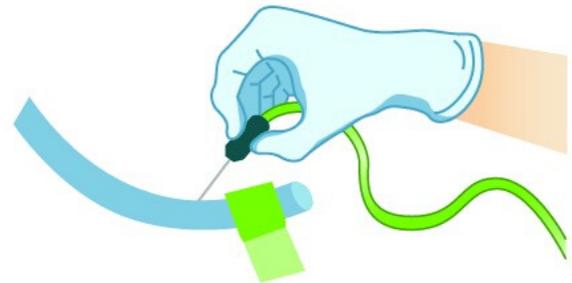


Cord Blood Awareness Month



Umbilical Cord

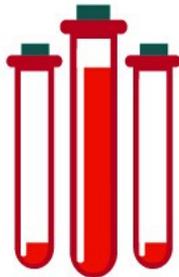
Baby is born with the umbilical cord attached. The cord is clamped and cut so that the baby can be cleaned and taken care of.



Blood Collected & Analyzed

Cord blood will be drawn from the clamped cord into a special collection bag by the doctor.

The blood is sent to a laboratory for analysis and the red blood cells are separated.



Storage

The cord blood stem cells will be kept in liquid nitrogen storage tanks at -190 degrees Celsius inside a secured facility.



CONDITIONS THAT CAN BEFIT FROM CORD BLOOD:

- **LEUKEMIA**
- **BONE MARROW CANCER**
- **ANEMIA**
- **LYMPHOMA**
- **SICKLE CELL**
- **CEREBRAL PALSY**

CORD BLOOD CURRENTLY TREATS OVER 70 DISEASES TODAY.

Umbilical cord blood saves lives

BY: THE LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Did you know that your baby's umbilical cord has unique stem cells that can help build a healthy immune system damaged by a disease? When your baby is born you have options to store umbilical cord blood at a blood bank to be used as transplants in the future for your child or their sibling. You can also donate your umbilical cord blood to a person in need or for research. The process is painless and wont interfere with baby bonding time. Consider your options because you and your baby can help change someones life.

For more information, visit **your local health department website**