

# Algorithm to aid hospital decision making for holding stock platelets

The number of hospitals routinely holding a stock of platelets has increased from 10% in 2003 to 22% in 2009 (from 23 hospitals to 51 hospitals). There is anecdotal evidence that the number of hospitals holding stocks of platelets continues to increase.

The objective of the algorithm is to aid hospital decision making for holding platelet stock and has been collated using output from hospital participants at the BSMS regional meetings which took place in May 2011.

