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Food and Drug Administration
5630 Fishers Lane
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Re: Docket Nos. 92N - 0297 and 88N - 0258

To Whom It May Concern:

As a community based blood center supplying hospitals with various derivatives, I would like to express concern over the proposed regulations which would prevent the distribution of derivatives to our hospitals. These hospitals look to the Citrus Regional Blood Center, Inc. to be not only the knowledgeable entity relative to these products but to also stock them; this is due to the fact that there is limited use for most of these products and, if each facility had to stock each type of derivative, there would undoubtedly be misuse and severe outdating of valuable, rare products.

I urge you to reconsider this issue and continue to allow the blood centers to assist their hospitals in the use and of distribution of derivatives.

Sincerely,

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