

CHAPTER 3

METHODOLOGY

In this chapter, the methodologies used throughout the study are described together with the diagram presentation. Here are the following sections that will be discussed in this chapter: Requirements Analysis, Requirement Documentation, Design of Software, System Product and/or Process, Development and Testing and Implementation Plan.

REQUIREMENTS ANALYSIS

The Red Cross Muntinlupa Center faces significant challenges in managing blood donations, particularly due to manual appointment scheduling and communication gaps between donors and recipients.

Blood donor

donate blood

YES phone call / chat

Contacts Center

Staff Checks Available
Slots manually

Plot Schedule

Staff Collects Donor Information Manually

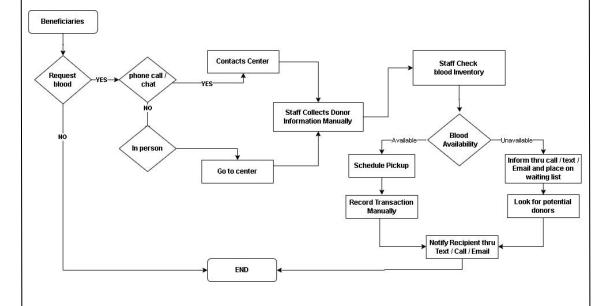
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Figure 1.0 Manual Appointment Scheduling



Manual appointment scheduling at the Red Cross Muntinlupa Center involves donors contacting the center via phone calls or in-person visits, where staff manually collect their information and check available time slots. This process is time-consuming and prone to inefficiencies. There is no automated system for reminders, leading to higher no-show rates as staff may not always have the resources to manually remind donors. On the donation day, staff manually confirm appointments, causing potential delays, and post-donation details are also recorded manually, increasing the risk of errors. Overall, the manual scheduling process is inefficient and resource-intensive, highlighting the need for an automated system to improve efficiency and donor engagement.

Figure 1.1 Blood Request Process and Communication Between Donors and Recipients

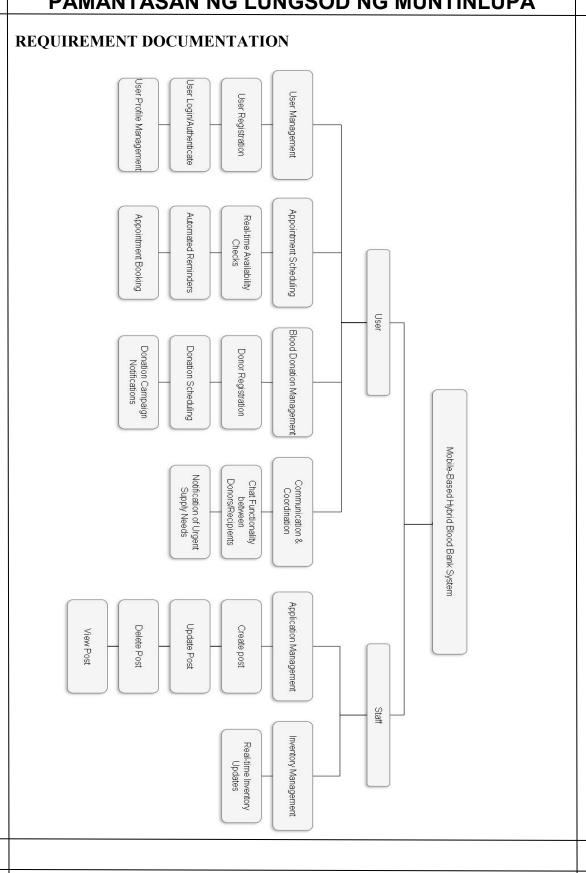




The blood request process at the Red Cross Muntinlupa Center begins when a recipient contacts the center, either by phone or in-person, to request blood. Staff collect detailed information from the recipient, including blood type requirements,

and manually check the blood inventory to determine availability. If the requested blood type is available, staff schedule a pickup or delivery time with the recipient, recording transaction details manually. However, if the requested blood type is not available, staff inform the recipient and may place them on a waiting list, reaching out to potential donors if necessary. Communication between donors and recipients relies on outdated methods such as phone calls and emails, where staff manually contact donors to coordinate donation appointments. Delays in communication often occur due to these manual methods, hindering quick mobilization of donors in response to urgent demands. There is a need to modernize and streamline this communication process to enhance efficiency and effectiveness in coordinating blood donation initiatives at the Red Cross Muntinlupa Center.







DESIGN OF SOFTWARE, SYSTEMS, PRODUCT AND/OR PROCESS

INPUT	PROCESS	OUTPUT
Knowledge Requirements	RAD Methodology	Blood Link: A
- Database Management	• Rquirments	Mobile-Based Hybrid
- Mobile Development	Analysis and	Blood Bank For Red
- Backend Development and	Planning	Cross Muntinlupa
APIs	• Software	Chapter
- UI/UX	Architecture and	
- Mobile App Development	Design	
Platform	• System	
- Backend Development and	Constructions	
APIs	• Cutover	
- Software tools		
- git / github		
• Software Requirements		
- IDE(Visual Studio)		
- React Native		
- Figma		
- Git / Github		
- Node Js		
- Expo Go		
- HTML, CSS, Java Script		
- PHP		
- Xampp		
• Hardware Requirements		
- Computer		
- Internet		
- Mobile devices		



DEVELOPMENT AND TESTING

5.1 Development Procedure

The researchers use the Rapid Application for System Development life Cycle.

The Rapid Application Development(RAD) model is based on prototyping and iterative development with no specific planning involved. The process of writing the software itself involves the planning required for developing the product. Rapid Application development focuses on gathering customer requirements through workshop or focus groups, early testing of prototypes by the customer using interactive concepts reuse of existing prototypes(components) continuous integration and rapid delivery.

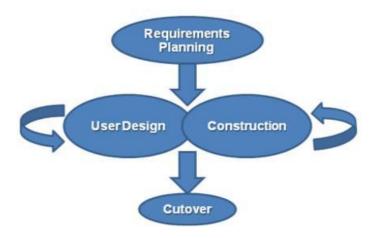


Figure 1: Phase of Rapid Application Development

Phase 1: Requirements Planning

The researcher first gathers data and plans to develop the system using React Native for the application's development.



In any case, probably in proposing a system the developers should have talked about the mechanics of the plans first before doing the system. The developers should know the problem of the users and even more in the selected beneficiary. The researchers identify that problem and plans its best solution. To develop the application, the researcher gathered/prepared all the requirements to start the application development.

Phase 2: Design phase

The design phase focuses on translating requirements into detailed design specifications. User interface designs, system architecture, and database schema are established during this phase, ensuring a clear roadmap for implementation.

React Native is chosen as the development framework for the mobile application interface due to its ability to provide cross-platform capabilities. This allows the team to develop a single codebase that can run on both iOS and Android devices, streamlining development efforts and reducing time-to-market. React Native's component-based architecture facilitates the creation of reusable UI elements, ensuring consistency across different screens and functionalities within the blood bank application.

Phase 3: Construction

During the construction phase, the actual development of the mobile-based hybrid blood bank system takes place. Using the React Native framework, the



researchers implement features such as donor registration, appointment scheduling, real-time inventory updates, and communication tools. Continuous integration allows for rapid prototyping and iterative development.

Phase 4:Cutover Phase

The cutover phase involves transitioning from the existing blood bank system to the new mobile-based hybrid system. Data migration, user training, and system testing are conducted to ensure a smooth transition. Stakeholder engagement and feedback play a crucial role in validating system functionality and usability.

5.1 Testing Procedure

When testing the application to find out where the system fault occurs, a testing technique is required. Even while it cannot ensure that all flaws in a program will be eliminated, if the software is tested effectively and precisely, it can minimize the amount of defects to the absolute minimum.

To ensure that a program and the system it controls can operate as intended, program tests were carried out in a predetermined order.

Component / Module	Test Conducted	
Online database	a. Tap the check net button on the mobile application.	
connection of the	ь. Updated files should be loaded on the mobile app.	
mobile application.	c. Try every feature, including CRUD	
	d. Check if update from administrator site working on	
	the mobile application	
Data sending from mobile to the website	a. Select the input box, type in some text message and tap the submit button.	
	b. Check on the administrator website to see the send	
	message.	
	c. Check if data entry from the application in on the	
	correct column on database.	



Real-time update of	a. Add or update a product on the website.
the system	b. Check EZ Biz mobile application to view real-time
	update of the system.
Communication	a. Select from one button in the contact us section in
connection	the mobile app (SMS, Call, Email, Website)
	b. Initiate communication with a recipient through the
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5.1: Project Evaluation

The evaluation instrument was based on the characteristics and sub-characteristics provided by ISO/IEC 25010:2011.

Respondents of the study were the individual users of the system such as the 10 Information Technology (I.T.) experts and 20 actual users. Purposive sampling was used to select the number of respondents. Purposive sampling is a non-probability sampling technique; it is a form of sampling in which the selection of the sample is based on the judgment of the researchers as to which subjects.

Table 2

System Evaluation Characteristics ISO/IEC 25010:2011 Software Evaluation
for both Users and IT Experts

Software Characteristics	Description
Functionality	Degree to which a product or system provides functions
Suitability	that meet stated and implied needs when used under
	specified conditions.
Performance	Performance relative to the amount of resources used
Efficiency	under stated conditions



Compatibility	Degree to which a product, system or component can exchange information with other products, systems or components and/or perform its required functions, while sharing the same hardware or software environment	
Usability	Degree to which a product or system can be used by specified users to achieve specified goals with effectiveness, efficiency and satisfaction in a specified context of use	
Reliability	Degree to which a system, product or component performs specified functions under specified conditions for a specified period of time	
Security	Degree to which a product or system protects information and data so that persons or other products or systems have the degree of data access appropriate to their types and levels of authorization	
Maintainability	Degree of effectiveness and efficiency with which a product or system can be modified by the intended maintainers	
Portability	Degree of effectiveness and efficiency with which a system, product or component can be transferred from one hardware, software or other operational or usage environment to another	

The statistical tool were used in the interpretation of data is weighted arithmetic mean as shown at table 3. Arithmetic mean is used to determine the average responses of the five option in each item, namely, 5(excellent), 4(very good), 3(good), 2(fair) and 1(poor). The arithmetic means for each software characteristics were computed. These were used to derive the overall evaluation mean.

Table 3 *Likert Scale*

Scale	Range of Mean Value	Interpretation
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5	4.51 - 5.00	Excellent
4	3.51 - 4.50	Very Good
3	2.51 - 3.50	Good
2	1.51 - 2.50	Fair
1	1.00 - 1.51	Poor

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

After finalizing the Blood Link system, it will be presented to the Red Cross Muntinlupa Center for evaluation. If approved for implementation, the complete system and its documentation will be submitted to the Red Cross Muntinlupa Center for deployment.

Strategy	Activities	Persons Involved	Duration
Approval	Send letters for	Researchers,	1 – 2 Days
from the	the approval of	Administrator	
company	Administrators		
System	Installation of the	Researchers,	2 - 3 Days
Installation	system and checking	Administrator	
	of the facility that		
	needs an upgrade		
	(software and		
	hardware).		
Information	Send Flyers,	Researchers,	1 Day
Distribution	Brochures,	Administrator	
	Posters, and User		
	Manual		
3- Day	Hands-on Training	Researchers,	3 Days
Training	and System Demo/	Adviser,	
	Lectures	Officer and	
		Administrator	