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- MS.15.2 The blood utilization committee ensures the optimal use of blood and blood products by establishing Indications/triggers for the transfusion of blood, blood components and blood derivatives.
  - MS.15.3 The blood utilization committee approves all policies and procedures that involve the ordering and administration of blood and blood products, including:
    - MS.15.3.1 Handling of blood outside the laboratory.
    - MS.15.3.2 Use of blood warmers and infusion devices.
    - MS.15.3.3 Venous access.
    - MS.15.3.4 Addition of fluids and drugs other than 0.9%NaCL.
    - MS.15.3.5 Bedside Identification of the blood product and the intended recipient.
    - MS.15.3.6 Monitoring of patient during and after blood administration.
  - MS.15.4 The blood utilization committee ensures the optimal utilization of therapeutic phlebotomy and apheresis services.
  - MS.15.5 The blood utilization committee monitors practices related to blood ordering and blood administration.
  - MS.15.6 The blood utilization committee recommends actions for improvement and evaluates their effectiveness.
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**Standard Intent:**

The blood utilization committee functions include but not limited to approving all policies and procedures that involve the ordering and administration of blood and blood products, ensure the optimal utilization of therapeutic phlebotomy and apheresis services and monitors practices related to blood ordering and administration. The committee ensures that all steps related to the procurement and administration of blood are safe by regularly collecting data on the various processes involved in blood preparation and administration. The committee utilizes the collected information to improve the blood bank services

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**MS.16 The hospital has a tissue review committee.**

- MS.16.1 There is a tissue review committee that conducts analysis and review of tissues removed during surgeries and procedures.
- MS.16.2 The tissue review committee ensures there is a hospital policy that governs how to obtain and handle specimens and tissues.
- MS.16.3 The tissue review committee monitors the following:
  - MS.16.3.1 The collection and transportation of specimens to the laboratory.
  - MS.16.3.2 The accuracy and completeness of histopathology forms (e.g., site of biopsy, number of biopsies, clinical history, previous biopsies).
  - MS.16.3.3 The accuracy of fine needle aspirations.
  - MS.16.3.4 The accuracy of frozen section specimens.



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- MS.16.4 The tissue review committee defines and approves the list of specimens exempted from submission to surgical pathology or microscopic examination.
  - MS.16.5 The tissue review committee reviews the appropriateness of all surgical procedures performed in the hospital, correlating pre- and post-operative surgical diagnoses with pathological findings.
  - MS.16.6 The tissue review committee recommends actions for improvement and evaluates their effectiveness.
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**Standard Intent:**

There is tissue review committee to review and approve all policies related to specimen collection, handling, and processing of all surgical and cytology specimens in the organization. The committee also monitors the appropriateness of all surgical procedures performed in the hospital, correlating pre- and post-operative surgical diagnosed with pathological findings as part of the physicians' performance evaluation. The committee recommends improvements in the system based on its findings and reports

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**MS.17 The hospital has an operating room committee.**

- MS.17.1 There is an operating room committee with representatives from relevant services such as medical staff, nursing staff, operating room staff, infection control, and safety personnel.
  - MS.17.2 The operating room committee approves all policies required for proper conduct of the work in the operating room including, but are not limited to, the following:
    - MS.17.2.1 Infection control measures.
    - MS.17.2.2 Supply of equipment and disposables.
  - MS.17.3 The operating room committee develops a code of ethical conduct in the operating room to protect patient privacy and dignity.
  - MS.17.4 The operating room committee monitors performance in the operating room including cancellation rate and makes improvements accordingly.
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**Standard Intent:**

The operating room committee must include representatives from relevant services such as medical staff, nursing staff, operating room staff, infection control, and safety personnel. It approves all policies required for proper conduct of the work in the operating room including; infection control measures and supply of equipment and disposables. The committee also develops a code of ethical conduct in the operating room to protect patient privacy and dignity and monitors performance in the operating room including cancellation rate and makes improvements accordingly.

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**MS.18 The hospital has a cardiopulmonary resuscitation committee.**

- MS.18.1 There is a cardiopulmonary resuscitation committee with representatives from relevant services such as medical staff, nursing staff, intensive care staff and emergency staff.