



Donor Milk Distribution Site Program

Increasing Access to Pasteurized Donor Human Milk

A Donor Milk Distribution Site plays a vital role in the community by providing convenient access to safe, pasteurized donor milk on the day of hospital discharge. Families who do not live in direct proximity to Northwest Mothers Milk Bank incur costly fees and delayed access to donor milk due to overnight shipment from Portland. When mother's own milk is not yet available, the precious calories and nutrients only human milk can provide is vital to the health and growth of a newborn infant in the first few days of life.

This program engages a mutual partnership between Northwest Mothers Milk Bank (NWMMB) and a healthcare facility to meet the need for safe, pasteurized donor milk in Pacific Northwest communities.

The Distribution(DS) site adheres to NW Mothers Milk Bank policies that comply with guidelines set forth by the Human Milk Banking Association of North America (HMBANA).

What is the Distribution Site Responsible for?

- Making donor milk available to families on day of discharge.
- Maintenance of a freezer dedicated to the storage of pasteurized donor milk, ensuring the milk is stored within acceptable temperature ranges
- Daily recording or electronic tracking of freezer temperatures.
- Placing orders for donor milk that is delivered to or shipped to the DS. The milk is purchased from NWMMB for \$13.00 per 100 ml bottle of milk plus shipping costs (varies depending on number of bottles ordered).
- Dispensing milk to outpatients who have medical need with medical justification and a current prescription in accordance with NWMMB policy. Donor milk is triaged for infants with greatest medical need.
- Collection of processing fee for dispensed donor milk. DS agrees to set price that is not to exceed NWMMB processing fee of (\$4.50 per oz), or \$15.22 per 100 ml bottle. **
- Adhering to HMBANA guidelines that no entity profits from the sale of PDHM. (price paid to NWMMB for milk is discounted to offset DS's cost of milk shipment, financial transactions, record-keeping and reporting).
- Accurately recording of recipients to which milk is dispensed /sold.
- Accurately recording and storage of all patient health information and financial information according to NWMMB policies; compliance with HIPAA Rules and regulations.
- Providing report of freezer temperatures and milk storage quarterly to NWMMB.
- Providing data related to families served and medical indications to NWMMB, as requested.
- Providing appropriate insulated containers for transporting PDHM from DS at time of dispensation. (available from NWMMB)
- Providing storage and thawing instructions to outpatients at time milk is dispensed

Further questions about the Donor Milk Distribution Site Program?

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