Blood Bank Specimen Labeling Policy

All samples referred to Sanford Laboratories for crossmatching/compatibility testing and antibody identification must meet the standards of the AABB regarding recipient blood sample labels. The following information is REQUIRED:

1. The patient's correctly spelled **Full Legal Name** and **Date of Birth**.

2. The patient's unique identifier--this can include any of the following:
   - Medical Record Number
   - Social Security Number
   - Blood Bank ID Number

3. The date drawn.

All samples must be labeled in ink. A generated patient label with all required information can also be used. **Incomplete, inaccurate, or illegible requests/samples will not be accepted. See individual test for additional protocol information.**