



## Blood Bank Specimen Labeling Policy

All samples referred to Sanford Laboratories for cross-matching/compatibility testing and antibody identification must meet AABB standards for specimen labeling. The following information is REQUIRED:

1. The patient's **Full Legal Name** spelled correctly
2. The patient's **Date of Birth**
3. The patient's **unique identifier** which can include any of the following:
  - o Medical Record Number
  - o Social Security Number
  - o Blood Bank ID Number
4. **Date and Time** of specimen collection

All samples must be labeled using ink. A patient label with all the required information may also be used. **Incomplete, inaccurate, or illegible requests or specimens are unacceptable and will be rejected.** See individual test for additional information.