

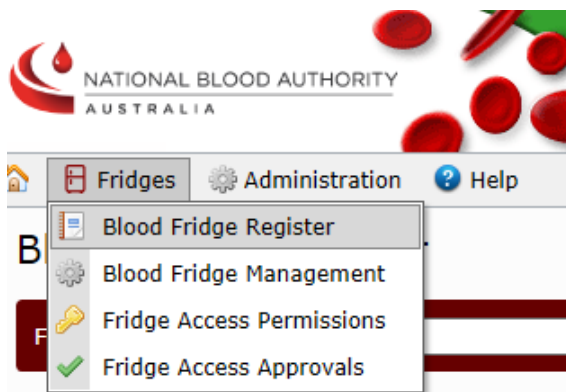
BLOODNET Blood Fridges Module

The National Blood Authority (NBA) has developed the BloodNet Blood Fridges Module as part of the BloodNet system.

The module was developed in consultation with NATA and South Australia's Department of Health BloodMove program, and aims to provide a secure area for custodians of blood fridges to record and share their blood fridge oversight, management and AS3864.2-2012 compliance information.

In summary, the fridge module will allow users to:

- record their on-site and off-site blood fridge maintenance activities,
- create incident notifications in the event of a non-compliance episode, and
- upload related documents, such as chart traces and any maintenance records.



The BloodNet Blood Fridges Module also allows facilities to share this information with any other users of the fridge, whether from their own organisation or externally by nominating sites within the BloodNet system with whom to share the information. Sites that are not currently using BloodNet for ordering and receipting purposes can still access the fridges module meaning that hospital sites that own and maintain a blood fridge can provide maintenance information to pathology providers who access the fridge.

“Anecdotally, we hear from users who have difficulty sharing or obtaining information about fridge maintenance from other users of the fridge, leading to unnecessary wastage of precious blood product, as the user can lack confidence about the storage condition of product while it has been stored in a fridge that may be out of their control,” said Jo Cameron, Manager, Health Provider Engagement at the NBA. *“With the Blood Fridge Module all users of the fridge can confidently dispatch, rotate and transfer blood between health providers, with or without on-site laboratories.”*

Allowing users to enter this information in real time into the fridge module aims to assist in reducing wastage by improving blood cold chain security, governance and stock rotation and transfers.

The NBA is encouraging all users of blood fridges who are experiencing difficulty in recording and sharing fridge maintenance activities to utilise the module.

To learn more about the BloodNet Blood Fridge module visit <http://www.blood.gov.au/bloodnet>, telephone 13000 BLOOD (13000 25663) or email support@blood.gov.au .