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Dear Blood Bank Supervisor/Manger:

You should have recently received a Technical Bulletin informing you that The Blood Connection will again offer in-house non-complex immunohematology workups beginning December 7, 2009. I wanted to follow up to that Technical Bulletin to clarify that The Blood Connection will not perform compatibility testing during these workups. The intention of The Blood Connection is do perform non-complex antibody identification and provide corresponding antigen-negative RBCs when requested. It is the responsibility of the transfusing facility to perform compatibility testing according to your facility's procedures. Please contact me if you have questions regarding this: 864-255-5005 ext. 1019 or tbridges@thebloodconnection.org.

Sincerely,

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