



## **OP 91.300: BLOOD PROCUREMENT**

### **PURPOSE**

To provide consistent guidelines to allow blood service organizations access to a safe, healthy, and large population of blood donors while protecting the donor population from excessive blood drives that curb the willingness to donate.

### **POLICY**

All blood drives on the Mississippi State University campus must be approved by the Director of the Longest Student Health Center and the Dean of Students.

### **PROCEDURE**

1. Blood procurement will be allowed for any volunteer blood service organization licensed in the State of Mississippi, provided such blood service organization operates within the procedures and guidelines of Mississippi State University. The guidelines are established by the Longest Student Health Center and are designed to allow blood service organizations access to a safe, healthy, and large population of blood donors, while protecting the donor population from excessive blood drives that curb the willingness to donate. Blood drives must be registered by completing the student event process via orgsync located at [one.msstate.edu](http://one.msstate.edu).
2. All blood drives must be approved in writing on the form, prior to any advertising, by the Director of the Longest Student Health Center and the Dean of Students office.
3. Mississippi State University controls the frequency, time, and location of all blood drives.
4. Each campus blood drive will be limited to one day between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.
5. If a special need drive occurs, and if the drive is approved, the requesting service will conduct it,
6. Presence of the blood service on MSU campus is at the sole discretion of the university and the sponsoring MSU organization or department. Any blood service not following the policies of MSU will be prohibited from drawing blood on campus for a period of time determined by the university.

7. All blood drives will follow currently established guidelines for the care of Mississippi State University students, faculty, and staff.
8. The blood service will assume responsibility for any debts incurred at the Longest Student Health Center or Oktibbeha County Hospital for any untoward effects of phlebotomy.

### **REVIEW**

The Vice President for Student Affairs is responsible for the review of this operating policy every four years or as needed.

**REVIEWED:**

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