

REB Guideline: Phlebotomy

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1. The Health Science Research Ethics Board (HREB) has developed concrete guidelines regarding the qualifications required in order for an individual to perform a blood draw. These guidelines are in place to streamline our procedures and ensure the safety and welfare of all participants.
2. The HREB normally expects blood draws to be performed by one of the individuals listed below:
 - a. A technician employed by a laboratory licensed under the Laboratory and Specimen Collection Centre Licensing Act;
 - b. Licensed Medical Laboratory Technologist (must show proof of successful completion of a medical laboratory technology program offered at an institution accredited by the Canadian Medical Association [CMA] in Canada and certification through Ontario Society of Medical Technologists);
 - c. Registered nurses in accordance with their professional regulations.
3. Each application will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
4. Please find additional resources on our website regarding phlebotomy:
 - a. SOP 03 Phlebotomy - Blood Sampling from the Arm by Venipuncture;
 - b. Venipuncture Information Sheet.