

FACT Announces 2018 Second Quarter Accreditations; Accredited Entities Now Total 283

During the second quarter of 2018, 19 entities received accreditation from the Foundation for the Accreditation of Cellular Therapy:

Cellular Therapy Initial Accreditation – 1	Cord Blood Bank Initial Accreditation - 0
Cellular Therapy Renewal Accreditation – 15	Cord Blood Bank Renewal Accreditation - 3
Total Accredited Cellular Therapy Entities – 228	Total Accredited Cord Blood Banks – 55
Number of Countries – 7	Number of Countries – 23
Additional Cellular Therapy Applicants – 9	Additional Cord Blood Applicants - 5

FACT is a non-profit voluntary foundation for standard-setting, self-assessment, inspection, and accreditation of hematopoietic collection, processing, and transplantation; immune effector cellular therapy; cord blood banking; and regenerative medicine. It is jointly sponsored by the American Society for Blood and Marrow Transplantation (ASBMT) and the International Society for Cellular Therapy (ISCT). WMDA-NetCord co-publishes cord blood standards and co-accredits cord blood banks.

For a complete list of accredited facilities and additional information about FACT accreditation, visit the [FACT website](#).

The cellular therapy accreditation actions were:

NEW CELLULAR THERAPY ACCREDITATIONS

Immune Effector Cellular Therapy, Marrow and Peripheral Blood Cellular Therapy Product Collection, and Cellular Therapy Product Processing with More than Minimal Manipulation

- The University of Texas MD Anderson CARTOX Program, Houston, Texas, USA
Program Directors: Elizabeth J. Shpall, MD and Sattva S. Neelapu, MD

CELLULAR THERAPY ACCREDITATION RENEWALS

Adult and pediatric allogeneic and autologous hematopoietic progenitor cell transplantation; immune effector cellular therapy; bone marrow and peripheral blood cellular therapy product collection; and cellular therapy product processing with minimal manipulation:

- The Blood and Marrow Transplant Program of UCSD/Sharp LLC and Rady Children's Hospital of San Diego, La Jolla, California, USA
Program Director: Edward Ball, MD
Standards: FACT-JACIE Hematopoietic Cellular Therapy Standards
- Royal Brisbane and Women's and Lady Cilento Children's Hospital Bone Marrow Transplant Program, Herston, Queensland, Australia
Program Director: Glen Kennedy, MBBS, FRCPA
- Strong Memorial Hospital Blood and Marrow Transplant Program, Rochester, New York, USA
Program Director: Michael W. Becker, MD
Standards: FACT-JACIE Hematopoietic Cellular Therapy Standards

Adult and pediatric allogeneic and autologous hematopoietic progenitor cell transplantation; bone marrow and peripheral blood cellular therapy product collection; and cellular therapy product processing with minimal manipulation:

- Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center, Massey Cancer Center, Bone Marrow Transplant Program, Richmond, Virginia, USA

Program Director: John McCarty, MD
Standards: FACT-JACIE Hematopoietic Cellular Therapy Standards

Adult allogeneic and autologous hematopoietic progenitor cell transplantation; immune effector cellular therapy; peripheral blood cellular therapy product collection; and cellular therapy product processing with minimal manipulation:

- Northwestern Medicine Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant Program, Chicago, Illinois, USA
Program Director: Jayesh Mehta, MD
Standards: FACT-JACIE Hematopoietic Cellular Therapy Standards

Adult allogeneic and autologous hematopoietic progenitor cell transplantation; bone marrow and peripheral blood cellular therapy product collection; and cellular therapy product processing with minimal manipulation:

- Christiana Care Health System, Newark, Delaware, USA
Program Director: Frank Beardell, MD
Standards: FACT-JACIE Hematopoietic Cellular Therapy Standards
- Mount Sinai Bone Marrow and Stem Cell Transplantation Program, New York, New York, USA
Program Director: Luis M. Isola, MD
Standards: FACT-JACIE Hematopoietic Cellular Therapy Standards

Adult allogeneic and autologous hematopoietic progenitor cell transplantation; peripheral blood cellular therapy product collection; and cellular therapy product processing with minimal manipulation:

- Moffitt Malignant Hematology and Cellular Therapy Program at Memorial Healthcare System, Pembroke Pines, Florida, USA
Program Director: Hugo Fernandez, MD

Adult autologous hematopoietic progenitor cell transplantation; immune effector cellular therapy; peripheral blood cellular therapy product collection; and cellular therapy product processing with minimal manipulation:

- Providence Autologous Stem Cell Transplant Program, Portland, Oregon, USA
Program Director: Stacy K. Lewis, MD
Standards: FACT-JACIE Hematopoietic Cellular Therapy Standards

Adult autologous hematopoietic progenitor cell transplantation; peripheral blood cellular therapy product collection; and cellular therapy product processing with minimal manipulation:

- Audie L. Murphy Memorial Veterans Hospital Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant Program, San Antonio, Texas, USA
Program Director: David Haile, MD

Pediatric allogeneic and autologous hematopoietic progenitor cell transplantation; pediatric bone marrow and peripheral blood cellular therapy product collection; and cellular therapy product processing with minimal manipulation:

- University of Miami/Jackson Memorial Hospital Pediatric Blood & Marrow Transplant Program, Miami, Florida, USA
Program Director: Martin Andreansky, MD, PhD

Peripheral blood cellular therapy product collection

- ITxM Diagnostics; Baltimore, Maryland, USA; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA; Chicago, Illinois, USA
Program Director: Joseph Kiss, MD

Cellular therapy product processing with minimal and more than minimal manipulation:

- UCSF Health – Pediatric Cellular Therapy Laboratory, San Francisco, California, USA

Program Director: Mortan Cowan, MD
Standards: FACT-JACIE Hematopoietic Cellular Therapy Standards

Cellular therapy product processing with minimal manipulation:

- Stem Cell Processing, Canadian Blood Services Edmonton, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
Program Director: Loree M. Laratt, MD

Cellular therapy product processing with more than minimal manipulation:

- cGMP Cell Processing Facility Diabetes Research Institute University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, Miami, Florida, USA
Program Director: Elina Linetsky, PhD
Standards: FACT Common Standards

The cord blood bank accreditation actions were:

CORD BLOOD BANK ACCREDITATION RENEWALS

Cord blood collection, banking, and release for administration of unrelated and related donations:

- StemCyte Taiwan Cord Blood Bank, New Taipei City, Taiwan
Program Director: Shinn-Zong Lin, MD, PhD

Cord blood collection, banking, and release for administration of unrelated donations:

- National Cord Blood Program, Long Island City, New York, US
Program Director: Andromachi Scaradavou, MD
- Queensland Cord Blood Bank at the Mater, South Brisbane, Queensland, Australia
Program Director: Robyn Rodwell, PhD, FAIMS, DLT