

FACT Announces April and May 2019 Accreditations; Accredited Entities Total 287

During April and May of 2019, 16 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 – 14	Cord Blood Bank Renewal Accreditation - 1
Total Accredited Cellular Therapy Entities – 236	Total Accredited Cord Blood Banks – 56
Number of Countries – 7	Number of Countries – 24
Additional Cellular Therapy Applicants – 8	Additional Cord Blood Applicants - 3

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 Transplantation and Cellular Therapy (ASTCT) and the International Society for Cell and Gene Therapy (ISCT). WMDA-NetCord co-publishes cord blood standards.

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

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

- Swedish Cancer Institute, Seattle, Washington, USA
Program Director: John Pagel, MD, PhD

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 and more than minimal manipulation:

- Manitoba Blood & Marrow Transplant Program, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
Program Director: David Szwajcer, MD, FRCPC
- University Hospitals Seidman Cancer Center Stem Cell Transplant Program, Cleveland, Ohio, USA
Program Director: Marcos de Lima, MD

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:

- Blood and Marrow Transplantation Levine Children's Hospital/Carolinas Medical Center, Charlotte, North Carolina, USA
Program Director: Philip Roehrs, MD
- New York Presbyterian Hospital/Columbia University Medical Center – Blood and Marrow Transplant Program, New York, New York, USA
Program Directors: Monica Bhatia, MD and Markus Y. Mapara, MD

Adult 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 and more than minimal manipulation:

- University of Kentucky Blood and Marrow Transplant Program, Lexington, Kentucky, USA
Program Director: Roger Herzig, MD

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

- Cancer Transplant Institute at HonorHealth, Scottsdale, Arizona, USA
Program Director: Jeffrey R. Schriber, MD
- Henry Ford Hospital Bone Marrow Transplant Program, Detroit, Michigan, USA
Program Director, Nalini Janakiraman, MD
- University of Louisville Blood and Marrow Transplant Program, Louisville, Kentucky, USA
Program Director: William W. Tse, MD

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

- UAMS Cancer Institute, Little Rock, Arkansas, USA
Program Director: Muthu Veeraputhiran, MD

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

- Aurora Health Care Autologous Stem Cell Transplant Program, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA
Program Director: Stephen Medlin, DO

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 and more than minimal manipulation:

- Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh of UPMC Blood and Marrow Transplantation and Cellular Therapies, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA
Program Director: Randy Windreich, MD

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:

- Nemours / Alfred I duPont Hospital for Children, Wilmington, Delaware, USA
Program Director: Emi H. Caywood, MD

Peripheral blood cellular therapy product collection

- Loma Linda University Apheresis Collection Center, Loma Linda, California, USA
Program Director: Wesley Tait Stevens, MD
- Rhode Island Blood Center, Providence, Rhode Island, USA
Program Director: Alexandra Jimenez, MD

The cord blood bank accreditation actions were:

CORD BLOOD BANK ACCREDITATION RENEWALS

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

- Swiss Stem Cells Biotech SA, Vacallo, Switzerland
Program Director: Veronica Albertini, PhD