

EXPLAINING BLOOD TRANSFUSION TO A PATIENT



Before the transfusion, a nurse may **prick** your **finger** or take **blood** from your arm to test your blood type.



Usually, blood transfusions are done in a hospital or in a doctor's **surgery**.



A **needle** will be used to insert an **IV** into one of your blood **vessels**.



Blood will then go through the IV line into your body.



You will be **monitored** during the transfusion. It takes 1 to 4 hours depending on how much blood you need.



After the transfusion, a nurse will **assess** your **vital signs**.



You may need **blood tests** to see how your body is reacting to the transfusion.



You will receive information about on the signs of complications.

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surgery	(ici) cabinet médical
needle	aiguille
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vessel	vaisseau
(to) monitor	contrôler
(to) assess	évaluer
vital signs	constants
blood test	examen sanguin