

Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine

Maximum Blood Draw Allowable Limits

Patient's Weight in Pounds	Weight Kilograms (approx.)	Maximum Amount to be drawn at any one time (mL)	Maximum Amount of blood -cumulative to be drawn during a given hospital stay (1 month or less-mL)
6-8	2.7-3.6	2.5	23
8-10	3.6-4.5	3.5	30
10-15	4.5-6.0	8.5	40
16-20	7.3-9.1	10	60
21-25	9.5-11.4	10	70
26-30	11.8-13.6	10	80
31-35	14.1-15.9	10	100
36-40	16.4-18.2	10	130
41-45	18.6-20.5	20	140
46-50	20.9-22.7	20	160
51-55	23.2-25.0	20	180
56-60	25.5-27.3	20	200
61-65	27.7-29.5	25	220
66-70	30.0-31.8	30	240
71-75	32.3-34.1	30	250
76-80	34.5-36.4	30	270
81-85	36.8-38.6	30	290
86-90	39.1-40.9	30	310
91-95	41.4-43.2	30	330
96-100	43.6-45.5	30	350

Disclaimer: The volumes listed above do not apply to BMT or Hem/Onc patients.

Source:

Becann-McBride, K. (2005). *Phlebotomy Handbook - Blood Collection Essentials* (7th ed.). New Jersey: Prentice Hall