

# **Advisory Committee on Blood & Tissue Safety & Availability**

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# Topic of June Committee Meeting

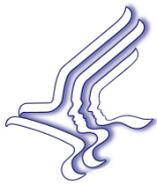
- **Topic:** Is the current blood center system in the United States designed for optimal service delivery?
- **Questions that were addressed:**
  - What services performed by blood centers currently are considered essential to the US Health Care System? Evaluate their successes and areas of improvement.
  - How do anticipated changes in health care (business models, i.e., economic forces, or advancements in medical care, i.e., PBM) affect blood centers and the provision of essential services?
  - How should the transfusion medicine field be defined in the next decade with regard to population health, better patient outcomes, and reduced costs?



# Meeting Outcomes

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- No recommendations were made during this meeting
- A subcommittee was formed to further explore this topic and create recommendations for the committee's review at a future meeting



# Upcoming Meeting

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The next ACBTSA meeting will be held on Dec. 4-5, 2013.  
The topic is still to be determined.