**INFORMATION FOR CARERS AND TEACHERS** 

# **Bleeding Disorder Action Plan**



STUDENT DETAILS		
Name:	Date of birth:	
Room/Year level:	Teacher name:	
Medical diagnosis:  Von Willebrand disease (VWD)  Platelet disorder  Deficiency of Factor:  Fibrinogen disorder  Other		
Parent name:	Parent signature	e:
EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS		
Parents/guardians should always be contacted in the first instance regarding any health concerns.		
1. Parent/guardian:		
2. Ambulance: <b>000</b>		
3. The Royal Children's Hospital (RCH) switchboard: <b>03 9345 5522</b> (ask for Haematologist on call)		
ABOUT YOUR CHILD'S BLEEDING DISORDER		
ACTION PLAN IS ACCURATE AS AT:		
Date:	Doctor name:	Doctor signature:

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### TRAUMA, INJURY AND BLEEDING ACTION PLAN (FIRST AID)

- 1. Apply standard First Aid procedures—Protect, Rest, Ice, Compression, Elevation (P.R.I.C.E).
- 2. Apply firm and sustained pressure for 5 to 10 minutes to cuts or grazes.
- 3. Nose bleeds should normally stop by applying firm pressure to the nostrils for 10 to 20 minutes.
- 4. Bruises are common and generally don't need treatment.

#### **ALERT**

A child with a bleeding disorder does not bleed faster than a person without a bleeding disorder, but will bleed for longer. The child will NOT gush blood from a simple cut or injury.

Children with bleeding disorders should not take aspirin or ibuprofen. Paracetamol is safe to use.

#### SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF A BLEED

- the child says it hurts (or a young child does not settle as usual)
- visible bleeding (nose bleed, bleeding from the mouth, deep cut, heavy period)
- the skin over an injured muscle or joint feels warm and/or appears red
- swelling (the injured area is larger than the other arm or leg)
- not able to move arm or leg
- limping or pain while walking

#### **CONTACT PARENTS IF SERIOUS INJURY TO:**

- head (head injury)
- eye
- throat and neck (difficulty breathing)
- chest or spine
- abdomen
- joints and muscles
- broken bones
- severe cuts requiring stitches

#### **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

If you require additional bleeding disorder resources please go to Haemophilia Foundation Australia: www.haemophilia.org.au