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Blood Transfusion**

**To the attention of Directors & Quality Managers  
of European Blood Establishments**

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**RE: EDQM 2015 Survey for European Blood Establishments**

Dear Colleagues,

The European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines and Healthcare (EDQM) is conducting a survey dedicated to European Blood Establishments (BEs). The general objective of the survey is to assess various issues that BEs in Europe might be facing.

A similar questionnaire was used in 2012 and helped the EDQM to understand the needs and constraints of BEs with regards to the implementation of their Quality Management System (QMS) and thus to develop the Blood Quality Management (B-QM) programme.

In the past three years your collaboration and participation to the B-QM activity has contributed to the harmonisation of QMS practices in Europe.

This year, through this new questionnaire (link provided in the email), the EDQM would like to understand further the obstacles that BEs are facing and use the obtained answers as a basis for updating the EDQM activities carried out in the field, in particular the B-QM activity, and tackle problems in the implementation of the legislation or in other areas.

The filled questionnaires will be kept confidential at the EDQM. It is planned to compile the summary later in a report in an anonymised way.

We would greatly appreciate if you could, as Director or Quality manager, reply to this questionnaire. Completion of the questionnaire is expected by 12 October 2015.

Do not hesitate to contact us at [EDQM\\_B\\_QM@edqm.eu](mailto:EDQM_B_QM@edqm.eu) if you need further information.

Yours sincerely,



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