Since 2011, our Arizona program has collected more than 5,000 cord blood units and more than 20 have been transplanted.

The Arizona Department of Health Services, Arizona Biomedical Research Commission is proud to partner with the University of Colorado Cord Blood Bank to provide Arizona with a public umbilical cord blood banking program. Participating sites currently include:

- Abrazo Central Campus, (formerly Phoenix Baptist Hospital)
- Dignity Health, St. Joseph’s Hospital and Medical Center
- Maricopa Integrated Health System
- Tucson Medical Center

Did You Know?

- Donating cord blood to a public bank is free.
- Donation is completely safe for mother and baby.
- The public cord bank keeps the mother’s name confidential and protects the privacy of the family.
- Cord blood is often the best, or only, hope of a cure for many patients with leukemia, lymphoma and other life-threatening diseases.
- Stored cord blood units are readily available to patients in need.
- In 2014, 29 percent of cord blood transplants worldwide were for minority patients.

Arizona Ethnicity Summary
Data for Total Units Collected

- Hispanic, 76%
- Caucasian, 14%
- African American, 5%
- Asian & Other, 4%
- Native American, 1%

For more information about the Arizona Public Cord Blood Program:

Visit:
http://azdhs.gov/biomedical/#az-public-cord-blood-program or

Contact:
CordBloodInfo@azdhs.gov

The Arizona Public Cord Blood Program was created to advance the collection of and increase the number of available cord blood units from a diverse ethnic group for the treatment of blood-related diseases such as acute lymphoblastic leukemia, acute myeloid leukemia, Hodgkin’s lymphoma, and sickle cell anemia.