



Transfusion Medicine

micro drip study guide

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So if they're going to have a transfusion reaction, it's more likely to occur within the first hour. So that's why we start being a bit more aggressive with monitoring during that time frame. And then, if they haven't had a reaction within the first 60 minutes, it's probably safe to just check it every hour after that.

So you're going to want to check things like their heart rate, their respiratory rate, their mucous membrane color, their temperature, those sorts of things. And those can all be monitored on that sheet. And that will help you determine if, all of a sudden, the patient's temperature spikes at minute 15, then that there's a potential issue that you need to address. So these sheets are really helpful when you're monitoring for those transfusion reactions.