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SEVERE BLOOD SHORTAGE

The New York Blood Center Needs YOU!

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Currently, the New York Blood Center and other blood centers are facing a **severe blood shortage** due to the cancellation of numerous blood drives and the fear caused by the COVID-19 outbreak. For this reason, blood donation centers are urging all healthy and eligible donors to donate blood at a location nearest their home.

It is important to note that donating blood, even during this outbreak, **is a safe process and people should not hesitate to give or receive blood.**

The New York Blood Center advises postponing donations if you have been to the following places in the past 28 days:

- **China**
- **Hong Kong**
- **Macau**
- **Iran**
- **Italy**
- **South Korea**

Or if you have been diagnosed with or in close contact with anyone who is suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19.

Please visit
nybloodcenter.org or
coronavirus.health.ny.gov/node/1546

for more information on where you can donate and the safety protocols the New York Blood Center is following due to the COVID-19 outbreak.



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