DOH-Miami-Dade Encourages Floridians to Donate Blood

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Miami, Fla. — This week, OneBlood, an Orlando-based blood center, experienced a cyberattack that has brought some of their systems offline. During this time, the Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade (DOH-Miami-Dade) encourages Floridians to consider donating blood to alternative blood centers to help boost Florida's blood supply. *Donating blood saves lives!*

Florida is partnering with <u>LifeSouth</u>, <u>SunCoast</u>, and other local blood centers to receive blood donations and help distribute them appropriately across the state. Locations for these community-based blood centers can be found at <u>FloridaDonates.com</u>.

DOH-Miami-Dade encourages residents and visitors to make an appointment with alternative providers to support the blood supply for Florida's hospitals and fellow Floridians.

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