

# The Anemia Management Clinic at the Cancer Center

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## About the Clinic

Welcome to the Anemia Management Clinic at the University of Michigan Rogel Cancer Center. Our team is made up of doctors, pharmacists, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, medical assistants and other clinical staff. We care for cancer center patients with anemia, or low red blood cell counts.

Your cancer center team referred you to our clinic to consider drugs used to stimulate the production of red blood cells. These are called erythropoiesis stimulating agents, or ESAs (Procrit or Aranesp). To see if you may benefit from ESA therapy, certain lab tests must be drawn to find out the cause of your anemia. You may also need to sign a consent form before starting ESA therapy.

Someone from our clinic will call you within 48 hours of receiving a referral from your cancer center team. We will talk about therapy options with you, decide if more lab testing is needed, and schedule your appointments for ESA therapy. We will also talk about consent for therapy. This information will also be shared with your cancer center team.

## **Who to Call With Questions**

**For medical emergencies call 911.** Emergencies include but are not limited to: sudden chest pain, uncontrollable bleeding or sudden difficulty breathing.

For other issues or questions, on **weekdays (8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Monday – Friday)** contact the clinic at (734) 232-6366, or email at [CC-Anemia-Management@med.umich.edu](mailto:CC-Anemia-Management@med.umich.edu).

**This document is not intended to take the place of the care and attention of your personal physician or other professional medical services. Our aim is to promote active participation in your care and treatment by providing information and education. Questions about individual health concerns or specific treatment options should be discussed with your physician.**

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