

Umbilical Cord Blood Banking

The Parents' Guide to Cord Blood Banks is an excellent site, with discussion of public vs private cord blood banking, and a chart comparing the costs of the private banks.

<http://parentsguidecordblood.org/>

This website discusses private collection and public donation.

<http://www.cordbloodawareness.org/index.htm>

If you are interested in donation, and there is not a collection facility in your area, contact Cryobanks International

<http://cryo-intl.com>

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) from the National Marrow Donor Program regarding cord blood donation

http://www.marrow.org/HELP/Donate_Cord_Blood_Share_Life/Cord_Blood_Donation_FAQs/index.html

From the Public Library of Science comes an interesting medical debate: Can Routine Commercial Cord Blood Banking be Scientifically and Ethically Justified?

<http://medicine.plosjournals.org/perlserv/?request=get-document&doi=10.1371/journal.pmed.0020044>

The National Cord Blood Program

<http://www.nationalcordbloodprogram.org/>

Information from the March of Dimes on Cord Blood Banking

http://www.marchofdimes.com/professionals/14332_1160.asp

The American Academy of Pediatrics reviews Cord Blood Banking for future transplantation. This is important to read if you are considering saving your baby's cord blood.

<http://aappolicy.aappublications.org/cgi/reprint/pediatrics;104/1/116>