

**Surgicare**  
**Returning Tissue to the Blood Bank**

1. If a tissue was not used and needs to be returned, call the Blood Bank and let them know you have a tissue that needs to be picked up
2. The Blood Bank tech will call client services to dispatch a courier
3. If there are no available couriers, it is the responsibility of Surgicare to transport the tissue back to the Blood Bank
4. Exceptions:
  - a. In some cases, a supervisor/lead/coordinator may allow for a room temperature tissue to stay overnight
    - i. If this is the case, it must stay near the Aero Scout thermometer so we are able to confirm that the temperature the tissue was stored at is acceptable
  - b. Frozen tissues must always come back to the Blood Bank as soon as possible after the case, there are no exceptions for frozen tissues.