

My Blood Draw Plan for Youth

When writing your plan, think about what you like to do if you start to feel worried or scared.

For waiting time, I will bring:		When the blood draw is happening, I want to:		
	My phone or tablet		Watch what is happening	
	Music with headphones		Look at something else like a phone or a tablet	
	A supportive friend and/or family member		Close my eyes and imagine I am somewhere else	
			Take slow deep breaths	
			Have the staff member talk to me about something else	
			Squeeze something in my hand	
When the blood draw is about to happen, I want to:			Have a quiet room with no talking	
	Know step by step what will happen.			
	NOT be told anything the staff member will be doing.			
	Have the staff member cover the blood draw supplies so I cannot			
	see them.	Whe	When it is over	
	Have the staff member count to three before the poke.		I would like a Band-Aid.	
	Have the staff member NOT tell me when the poke will happen.		I will ask if I can just hold the gauze in place with no tape or Band Aid.	

Please print, fill out and bring this plan with you to the lab so we can help you have the best experience possible.