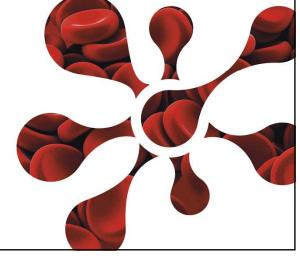
Business continuity to ensure blood supply, viewpoint from a supplier

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About BTA

Blood Transfusion Association

- BTA is a non-profit trade association for blood bag set manufacturers.
- With an international scope, BTA's mission is to promote the correct use and safe supply of blood for transfusion.
- > BTA supports policies that allow for blood bag set manufacturers to meet public health needs.

Current members

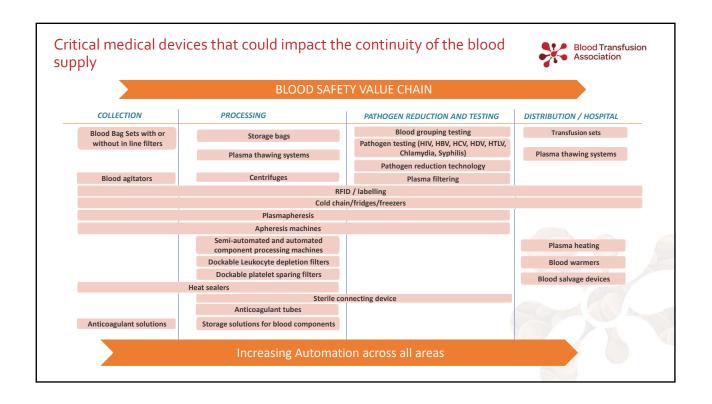


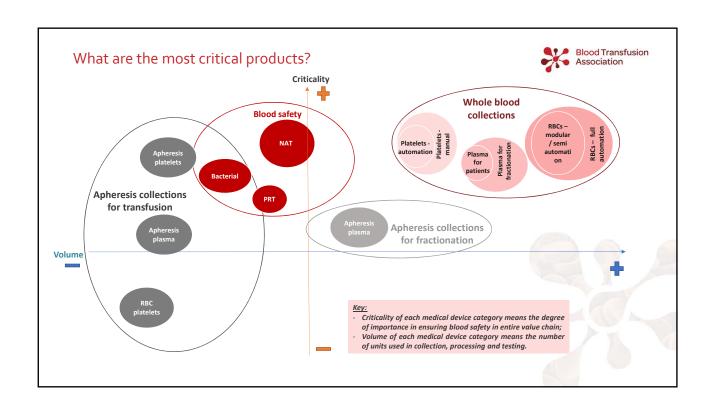






Agenda Why is Business continuity so important. Criticality of medical devices in the Blood Safety Value Chain Overview of Business Continuity and why is it so key to industry Principles and methodologies of Business Continuity Lean Business Continuity – Customer focus Conclusion





What Business Continuity is about?



Dictionary definition:

Business Continuity is the strategic and tactical capability of the organization to **plan for** and **respond to** incidents and business disruptions to continue business operations at an acceptable predefined level.

Our customers need **confidence and trust** that we will be able to supply the right product at the right time.

Our priority is **on preventing or mitigating** any interruptions of product supply to customers by taking a comprehensive, global approach to business continuity.



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Why is Business Continuity so key?





- · Changing and Globalizing environment:
 - · Political & Social instability
 - Natural disasters (Tsunami in Japan, Volcano in Iceland, Earthquake in Italy, pandemics...)
 - Cybersecurity
 - Changing regulations (MDR, Blood Directive, Brexit)
 - → Increasing concern regarding supply security



- Cost Pressure at our customers:
 - Working Capital scrutiny → strict inventory control
 - → Increasing concern regarding supply reliability and velocity



- Dedicated consumables
 - · Uniqueness of technologies
 - → Increasing concern regarding supply dependency

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Business continuity is often linked to disasters

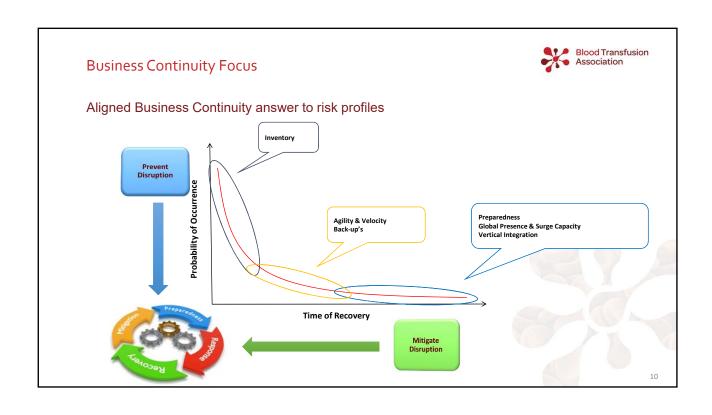


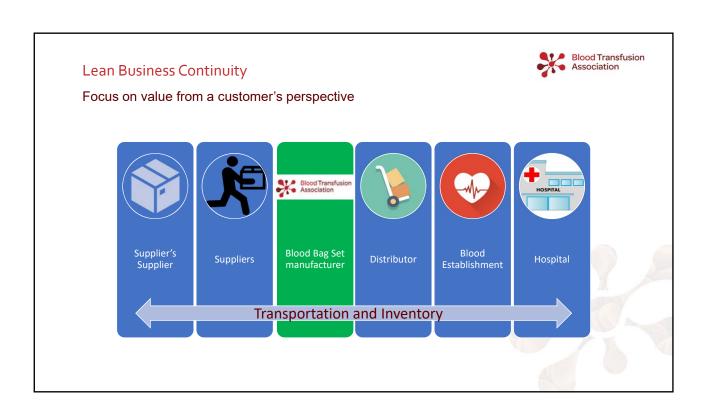
Disaster planning is a subset of incident management – only a piece of business continuity

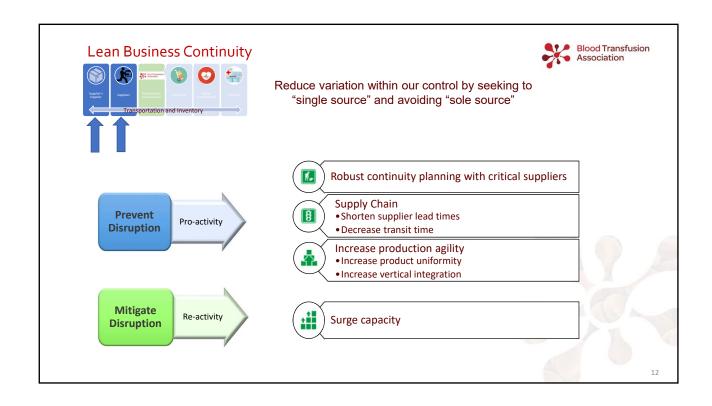


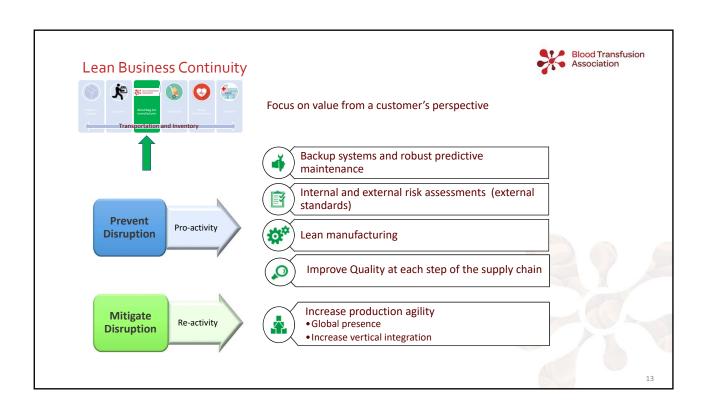
- Business Continuity is a Component of Each Value Chain
 - Product Chain Product Development
 - Supply Chain Movement of Materials
 - Material Conversion Chain Production
 - Order Fulfillment Chain Delivery
 - Service Chain Post-Sales Warranty & Repair

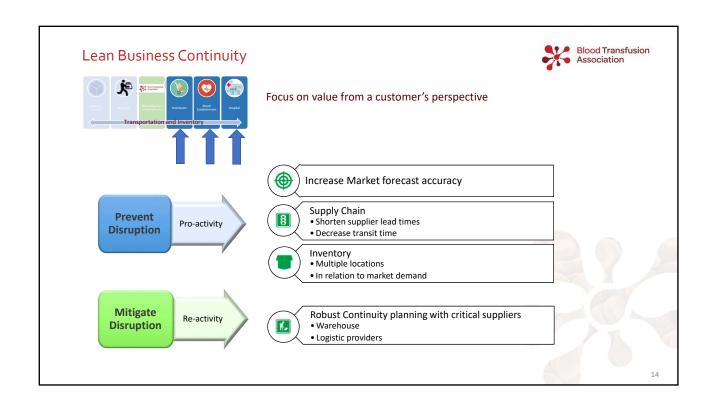


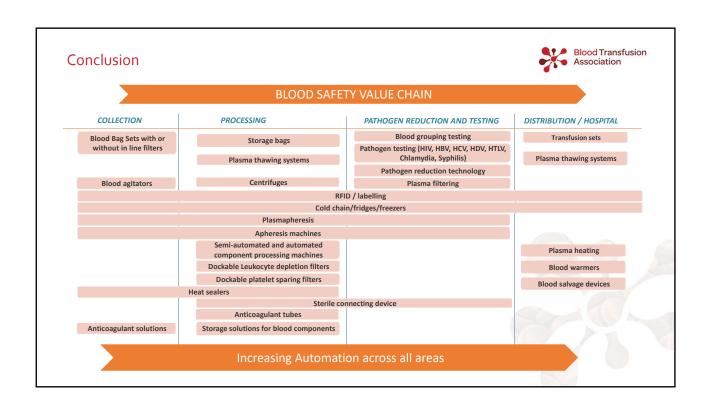












Conclusion



The Blood Bag Set Industry operates in critical processes across the **Blood Safety Value**Chain

- We have a responsibility to ensure that there are robust processes in place
- We will use our best commercial efforts to help our customers deliver an uninterrupted supply of blood components to patients
- We put considerable efforts in quality systems including BCP
- We are in uncertain times
 - Pandemics
 - Environmental disasters
 - Regulatory changes
 - Political changes (Brexit)



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