

Table 2 Number and percentages of transfusion episodes with adequate documentation in each part of the basic information sheet (BIS) and overall adequate documentation according to department

Section of the transfusion BIS	Department							
	Internal medicine		Surgery		Obstetrics & gynaecology		Total	
	(n = 445)		(n = 167)		(n = 217)		(n = 829)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<i>Patient identification</i>	295	66.2	112	66.9	129	59.4	536	64.6
<i>Start of transfusion</i>	316	71.0	139	83.1	177	81.6	596	76.2
<i>Assessment</i>								
Pre-transfusion	432	97.1	158	94.6	209	96.3	799	96.3
Post-transfusion	366	82.2	139	83.1	116	53.4	621	74.9
Transfusion targets	387	86.9	156	93.4	187	86.1	730	88.1
Outcome	383	86.1	143	85.5	137	63.1	663	80.0
Overall*	307	69.2	121	72.3	91	41.9	519	62.6
<i>Outcome of transfusion therapy</i>	(n = 383)		(n = 143)		(n = 137)		(n = 663)	
Improvement	325	84.8	133	93.0	127	92.7	585	88.2
Both clinical & laboratory improvement	199	51.9	83	58.0	65	47.4	347	54.9
Clinical improvement	95	26.4	50	34.9	51	37.2	196	29.7
Laboratory improvement	31	8.1	0	0.0	11	8.0	42	6.3
Either clinical or laboratory improvement	126	32.9	50	34.9	62	45.3	238	35.9
No improvement	58	15.1	10	6.9	10	7.3	78	11.7

*Adequate documentation included at least a plan for transfusion, pre- and post-transfusion clinical or laboratory assessment, and outcome of transfusion.