

ASH ISTH NHF WFH Guideline Recommendations for the Diagnosis of von Willebrand Disease (VWD)

evaluated for VWD



What it covers



A lack of understanding of the difference between
to decide whether to order specific blood testing
for patients with intermediate/high probability of



Symptoms can disproportionately affect women, who may experience
menstrual and postpartum hemorrhage.



Call to improve education around the value and use of bleeding assessment tools (BAT)

New recommendations suggest broadening the classification of VWD to be more
inclusive of individuals who experience VWD-like bleeding but whose von Willebrand
factor (VWF) levels used to confirm diagnosis of type 1 VWD do not meet the previous
proposed diagnostic threshold of 30% or less.

Suggestion to change the approach for a type 1 VWD patient with normalized VWF
levels over time, especially to reconsider diagnosis as opposed to removing diagnosis

Recommendations to use targeted genetic testing to diagnose type 2B VWD.

Total number of panel recommendations: 11