

TREATMENT FOR THALASSAEMIA

- Patient needs to undergo continuous blood transfusion on a monthly basis
- Continuous blood transfusion will cause the accumulation of iron in the vital organs such as the heart, liver and endocrine glands. This eventually results in multiple organ malfunction
- Excessive iron can be removed by chelation therapy
- A bone marrow transplant may be necessary, provided there is a suitable donor among family members

