

East Midlands Regional Transfusion Committee

Confirmed Minutes of Regional Transfusion Committee Meeting (EM-RTC)

Friday 8th October 2013

Charnos Hall, Ilkeston Community Hospital

Heanor Road. Derbyshire DE7 8LN

13.45 – 16.30

Present :

Attendees

Janice Smith	JS	Chesterfield Royal
Jane Walden	JW	Kings Mill
Kath Hearnshaw (Secretary)	KH	NHSBT
Brian Hockley	BH	NHSBT
Delia Smith	DS	NHSBT
Cherry Chang	CC	Nottingham University Hospitals
Linda Hoyland	LH	Nottingham University Hospitals
Phillipa Cheshire	PC	Nottingham University Hospitals
Mark Bishton	MBi	Nottingham University Hospitals
Debra Davis	DD	Royal Derby
Georgina Gray	GG	Royal Derby
Judith Beale	JB	Royal Derby
Ant Jackson	AJ	United Lincolnshire Hospitals
Dennis Prangnell	DP	United Lincolnshire Hospitals
Hafiz Qureshi	HQ	University Hospitals Leicester
James Reid	JR	University Hospitals Leicester
Jot Hyare	JH	University Hospitals Leicester
Marie Browett	MB	University Hospitals Leicester
Pavlina Sharp	PS	University Hospitals Leicester
Sapna L	SL	University Hospitals Leicester

Apologies

Andrew Fletcher	Chesterfield Royal
Helen Hicks	Kettering
Angela Houston	Kettering
Caroline Lowe	Kettering
Jayne Sharpe	Kings Mill
Rob Webster	NHSBT
Tracey Scholes	NHSBT
Richard Evans	Northampton
Karen Spreckley	Northampton
Hayley Bond	Nottingham University Hospitals
Angela McKernan (Chair)	Royal Derby
Sandra Dodds	Royal Derby
Richard Elliott	Royal Derby
Priya Mistry	SPIRE Leicester Hospital
Carol Richardson	United Lincolnshire Hospitals
Aamer Ahmed	University Hospitals Leicester

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In Attendance: Odette Colgrave (OC) RTC Administrator (minutes)

1. Welcome and Apologies

HQ welcomed everyone to the meeting and agreed to chair on behalf of AM who wasn't able to attend. Apologies were received and noted.

2. Minutes of the last RTC Meeting held on 7th June 2013 and matters arising

Minutes confirmed as accurate record. The action table was reviewed and all are on the agenda for discussion.

3. KPI's



KPI Report 2013-14
Quarter1

This document had been circulated prior to the meeting as there were no real benefits in presenting this data on this occasion. However DS wanted to add that overall Red Cell usage has declined and NHSBT has responded to this. The Red Cell stocks and age at dispatch have been initially higher, however stocks have now reduced to target level and you should start to see a decrease in age at dispatch.

4. Individual Hospital Transfusion Committee Reports



HTC reports to RTC

KH gave a presentation after collating all the individual reports prior to the meeting. This proved to be a useful exercise and KH would like this to continue in future meetings. All issues / concerns which are on the presentation can now be raised at the NBTC meeting on behalf of the EM region.

Following this presentation KH announced her retirement and would be leaving at the end of January 2014. The annual symposium will be her last educational event, however she will make plans for the forthcoming education session for the February's RTC forum.

HQ wanted to take this opportunity to thank KH on behalf of the RTC as she will be greatly missed.

KH has kindly offered to be the patient representative on the RTT / RTC from mid 2014 if accepted by the RTC and thanked everyone for all their support.

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5. Feedback from RTC Task Groups

5.1 Audit & Appropriate Usage Task Group

Following BH's preliminary results presentation during the education session any further questions to contact BH. The deadline for data to be submitted has now been extended to November and the final report should be ready for the next RTC in February 2014.

5.2 Education & Training Group

- 24.09.2013 – Blood on the Floor

This was another successful event targeted to a different audience. The summary of evaluations were handed out and discussed.

- 24.01.2014 – Am I a clot or not?

KH handed out the draft programme with topics: New anticoagulants; DIC; Liver audit results; BCSH Guidelines; Use of Tranexamic Acid and Coagulopathy.

KH advised she has no speakers for either Tranexamic Acid or Coagulopathy. CC volunteered to present on Tranexamic Acid and perhaps contact Beverley Hunt for advice. CC also agreed to contact someone who could speak on 'Acute Traumatic' coagulopathy or 'liver disease'.

This will be registered with the Royal College of Anaesthetists and IBMS. We will be trying to secure sponsorship again, however it is getting extremely difficult nowadays.

The venue will be Chesterfield Royal Hospital as this is considerably cheaper than Nottingham. This has a very good lecture theatre and restaurant facilities. The only problem is the walk in-between these 2 rooms, however we are intending to have chaperones on the day to mark the way. We have saved approximately £1,000 by booking this venue which enabled us to run the extra education day on the 24th September.

Action: CC to volunteer as speaker for Tranexamic Acid talk for Jan 2014
CC to seek speaker for 'acute traumatic' coagulopathy or 'liver disease'
OC to order high vis vests for on the day

KH also added that we need a theme for the next RTC Education Forum in February 2014. Following the HTC reports it has been decided to offer a workshop on setting up pre-operative anaemia clinics. KH will try and seek / contact speakers for this session.

Action: All – To send any expressions of interest to join the Training & Education group
KH to contact speakers for pre-operative anaemia workshop for the February 2014 RTC

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5.3 Newsletter

Newsletter No 18 will be updated and published on the website and OC will send the link.

Action: KH/OC to update and publish No 18

KH added that an article about the EM DVD had been published in Bloodlines and following this we have been receiving DVD orders even from as far as Hong Kong. MB added that received feedback from one obstetrician who advised this was the best interactive training session she has ever had.

5.4 Patient Blood Management

CC confirmed that both herself and AA have a busy workload and have therefore not made any progress with this group. HQ advised this group has such a lot to offer and feels he doesn't wish for this group to disband. This group has a great potential to do various projects but needs a leader / chair that can get the group re-established. CC advised she is no longer able to chair the group but will be on hand for any support. HQ asked for any willing volunteers to come forward. CC also mentioned to contact Pam Wake to see if she would be able to volunteer.

Action: JS agreed to approach Jon Cort to see if interesting in chairing the PBM group
CC to contact Pam Wake to see if interested in revitalising this PBM group

HQ suggested setting up a regional document / toolkit on the use of Tranexamic Acid.

6. Feedback from RTC associated groups and circulated papers

6.1 Feedback from EM Transfusion Practitioner's Group

The EM TP meeting held on the 18th September at Chesterfield was very well attended and overall a very positive meeting. Following topics were covered: 30 minute rule; SHOT report; nurse authorisation course; case study; transfusion reaction algorithm. The day provided lots of discussion and good networking opportunities.

6.2 National Transfusion Practitioner's Group

AJ confirmed there are 8 TP's on the committee and this year the national conference was in Birmingham. The next meeting may be linked alongside the BBTS conference next year. The national TP newsletter has been circulated and the next meeting will be done by a teleconference.

- NPSA Workshop Meeting

MB and Virginia Pearson attending on behalf of the EM region. The workshop focussed on the education of medical students. The competency assessments are variable and much depends on the hospital links, for example Leicester do no training with student nurses only with doctors. The aim is for all competency to be transferable. This meeting was clearly not

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long enough as this generated lots of discussion as transfusion is currently *not* in the NHS Framework document.

MB confirmed there will be recommendations to follow from this working group and will circulate the minutes. Another meeting will be scheduled.

There is a TP Development day scheduled for 17th March 2014 presented by Kairen Coffey, the Education and Audit Lead, NHSBT.

6.3 National Laboratory's Managers Group

JH confirmed the group have been looking at :

- Developing a template for KPI's
- The National audit group will also be looking at future audits. The NE have already done some work on Red Cells "Where does blood go?"
- Some discussions on extended shelf life of FFP
- Involvement with MHRA on common deficiencies

7. Regional transfer of blood policy

CC had worked on this document with Linda Hoyland, however JS had volunteered to be on this working group, but CC had not been in contact which clearly was an oversight. OC will circulate this amended document to the rest of the RTC members followed by the Laboratory Managers for their comments. This item is also on the Lab Managers agenda later this week.

Action: OC to circulate the regional transfer of blood policy amongst the RTC and Lab Managers - collate comments and forward to CC
RTC to ratify the above document
OC to investigate whether Y&H have a regional policy

8. Transfusion Reaction Algorithm

Action: OC will circulate JW's version for comments and will feedback at the next RTC.

9. AOB

Regarding nurse authorisation, KH advised this training is being requested in the region. NE have already run a 1 day course and NHSBT offer a 4 day course. KH will circulate a presentation in pdf format as time had run out to present this today. It was suggested to set up a regional competency framework and ask whether a task group was needed to develop this. AJ suggested the national TP group could look at doing a national framework.

KH announced that Judith Beale will also be retiring in November 2013 and wanted to thank her for all her support on behalf of the RTC. KH particularly highlighted Judith's hard work with the protocol she had developed on challenging clinicians about inappropriate requests.

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10. Dates & Venues for future RTC meetings 2013

- 7th February 2014 – Leicester SPIRE Hospital

Action: OC to book further dates during 2014.

RTC – Action list 8th October 2013

Item No	Action	By Whom	Completion
4	To set up workshop for the next RTC on how set up a pre-operative anaemia clinic	KH	Nov 2013
5.2	<p>Same as the RTC action list under <u>24.01.2014 Am I a clot or not:</u></p> <p>Expressions of interest to join the Training & Education group</p> <p>To contact speakers for pre-operative anaemia workshop for the February 2014 RTC</p>	<p>All</p> <p>KH</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Dec 2013</p>
5.3	Newsletter No 18 will be published on the website	KH / OC	Oct 2013
5.4	To contact Pam Wake to see if interested in revitalising this PBM group	CC	Oct 2013
7	Same as Item 5 above		
8	To circulate JW version of the Transfusion Reaction Algorithm	OC / JW	Oct 2013
10	To book RTC dates for 2014	OC	Oct 2013