

Transfusion Practitioners Meeting

Friday 15th June 2012
South Tyneside Hospital


Attendance:

Pauline Patterson (PP) – chair
Rosie Tate (RT)
Sara Avery (SA)
Jonathan Trattles (JT)
Janet Ryan (JR)
Karen Nesbitt (KN)
Denise Thompson (DT)
Denise Watson (DW) – minutes
Anne Davidson (AD)

Apologies:

Vicki Davidson (VD)
Debbie Cox (DC)
Lindy Defoe (LD)
Sue Wardle (SWa)
Susan Whitehead (SWH)
Anna Bartholomew (AB)

1.	<p>Pauline Patterson welcomed the group and acted as chair. Anne Davidson, TLN for the Yorkshire and The Humber attended the meeting.</p> <p>Minutes of previous meeting Agreed as a true record. Action: Janice Robertson (JRo) to post onto RTC website</p>	JRo
2.	<p>Changes within pathology PP - changes relating to the 'Bigger Picture' which involves the merger of South Tyneside, Gateshead and Sunderland RT – staff are working between Haematology and Transfusion. Possible merger with Cumbria hospitals, if this occurs Hexham haematology will be in-house rather than supported by Newcastle hospitals DT – decision to be made about the new hospital at the Wynyard site JR – management changes at CDDFT and the laboratory is now closed to transfusion at Bishop Auckland hospital, blood provided by DMH. Massive changes proposed but no decision yet made about the TP role.</p>	
3.	<p>Critical Incidents / TP Feedback The incidents were discussed briefly by those who attended the meeting. The group discussed their administration policies as they differ between one and two person checking.</p>	
4.	<p>NPSA Updates Discussed whether a 3rd year midwifery student would be able to take a transfusion sample as many of them are not employed by the trust. SA informed the group that she has raised this concern with the university.</p>	
5.	<p>SaBTO guidance PP - incorporated consent into the trust transfusion policy JR - added consent to the pathway checklist SA – paediatric oncology will continue to use CMV negative components for all children under 1 year old.</p>	

	<p>JR commented on the usefulness of the ATP resource file.</p> <p>Actions:</p> <p>a) DW to send the link to the document to the group.</p> <p>b) JR to share transfusion pathways (Adult, Paed, ITU) with the group.</p> <p>c) DW to forward pathways onto Anne Davidson.</p>	<p>DW JR DW</p>
6.	<p>NHSBT/TLN update</p> <p></p> <p>TLN update June 2012.doc</p>	
7.	<p>A.O.B.</p> <p>Increased use of trauma packs has been noted.</p> <p>Increased use of platelets due to specific procedures and increase in haematology activity.</p> <p>Interest in the GI audit from CDDFT.</p> <p>Training DVD will be available from East Midlands region soon – to be launched at the TP conference on 26th June.</p> <p>JT – requested SLA for taxi company delivery blood.</p> <p>Action:</p> <p>All to share SLA agreements with JT.</p>	<p>ALL</p>
8.	<p>Date and time of next meetings</p> <p>30th October, 1-4pm, WANSBECK HOSPITAL</p>	