Transfusion Practitioners Meeting

Thursday 16th May Newcastle Blood Centre

Attendance:

Karen Nesbitt (KN) – chair Kay Richardson (KR) Rosie Tate (RT) Sara Avery (SA) Denise Watson (DW) – minutes

Apologies:

Vicki Davidson (VD)
Debbie Cox (DC)
Sue Wardle (SWa)
Susan Whitehead (SWh)
Janet Ryan (JR)
Jonathan Trattles (JT)
Pauline Patterson (PP)
Anna Bartholomew (AB)

1. Karen Nesbitt welcomed the group and acted as chair

Minutes of previous meeting

Agreed as a true record

Action: Janice Robertson (JRo) to post onto RTC website

JRo

2. DW gave a presentation on 'Consent' and informed the group of a presentation which is available for adaption / use within the Trusts



Powerpoint on Consent.ppt

Newcastle Trust have adapted the request form to incorporate consent. For multi-transfused patients consent will remain valid for 1 year, use the PIL leaflet as consent information and either a medic or nurse can give the pre-transfusion information. Individual clinical areas decide on how best to introduce consent.

Gateshead are basing their consent on what is used at Sunderland – again this will be annually for multi-transfused patients (reviewed on their birthday).

Northumbria are changing the transfusion chart to incorporate 'obtain consent'.

3. Francis Report

The group discussed the recommendations 185-213 Nursing (Chapter 23)



FrancisNursingRecom mendations. Template

4. Anaphylaxis training

KN asked how Trusts are incorporating the BCSH Transfusion Reaction

guidelines re: anaphylaxis as it is currently not included in BLS and they are awaiting feedback from Risk Management.

Gateshead staff attend a separate session and only patient focussed staff at Northumbria need to be trained.

5. NCA results

Many of the group have lost interest in the Part 2 Medical Use due to the length of time it has taken to distribute the report findings.

All have registered for the Anti-D audit, this is being led by maternity staff or TPs, depending on the Trust.

Discussions are on going with a view to obtaining a 2nd sample as stated in the compatibility guidelines. Newcastle staff feel this will not affect a great number of patients who do not have a previous sample. Northumbria are requesting 2 samples for all patients over 1 year old.

6. Critical Incidents

The incidents were discussed briefly by those who attended the meeting.

7. TP Feedback

Northumbria have been to see the Msoft Bloodhound system, which appears to be an easy system to use.

Gateshead are undergoing pathology modernisation but as the TPs are under 'Nursing' this does not affect them directly.

Northumbria are linking with Cumbria in preparation for the merger.

8. Beriplex

There are differences in the recommended doses between the regional 'Reversal of warfarin' guideline and that which is recommended by the company.

9. NHSBT/PBM update



TLN update May 2013 _2_.pdf

10. A.O.B.

Nil

Date and time of next meeting – 17th September, 2013 Action: DW to arrange doodle poll for December 2013

DW