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Monday 22nd May 2017
NHS Blood and Transplant, Newcastle

Attendance:
Aimi Baird (AB)
Lindsay Cairns (LC)
Carolyn Carveth Marshall (CCM)
Ian Coates - Vifor Pharma (am only)
Robin Coupe (RC)
Anne Davidson (AMD)
Rose Gill (RG) (am only)
Karen Nesbitt (KN)
Janet Nicholson (JN)
Pauline Patterson (PP)
Janice Robertson (JR) – minutes
Debbie Sains (DS)
Natalie Williams - Vifor Pharma (am only)
Megan Wrightson (MW) – chair

Apologies:
Anna Bartholomew (ABa)
Debbie Cox (DC)
Janet Ryan (JRy)
Jonathan Trattles (JT)

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<td>1.</td>
<td>MW welcomed the group and acted as chair</td>
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<td><strong>Benefits from PBM Programs</strong>&lt;br&gt;Presented by Ian Coates, Vifor Pharma&lt;br&gt;• Forward ‘International consensus statement on the peri-operative management of anaemia and iron deficiency’ to group.</td>
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<td><strong>Blood Donation 2020</strong>&lt;br&gt;Presented by Tandy Pickering and Nicola Norton</td>
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<td><strong>Fetal Genotyping</strong>&lt;br&gt;Presented by Rose Gill</td>
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<td><strong>Case Studies</strong>&lt;br&gt;Presented by Laura Jardine</td>
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<td><strong>Minutes of previous meeting, 29th November 2016</strong>&lt;br&gt;Agreed as true record, post onto RTC website</td>
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<td><strong>Critical incidents</strong>&lt;br&gt;Learning points from critical incidents discussed.</td>
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<td><strong>Guidelines</strong>&lt;br&gt;NBTC Competencies&lt;br&gt;• Variance in policies throughout the region</td>
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- Option to access the on-line test through Learnpro without completing the full programme, contact AMD for further information
- Short survey (7 questions) on Learnpro to be circulated, AMD would be grateful for participation from Trusts.
- 2 Sample Rule
- Trusts policies discussed. South Tees looking to implement soon.

9. **NHSBT / PBM Practitioner Update**
- An update of LearnBloodTransfusion is to be undertaken soon, following the recent publication of new blood component indication codes. Trusts may wish to advise any staff undertaking this eLearning programme, that this update is still required.
- ‘Blood Components’ App is up to date and available via App store and google play, not yet available via windows.
- Another app intended to assist decision making is under development
- HEV update – request for hospitals to ensure non-screened products are used up. HEV box will become inactive on OBOS when all stock tested.
- The NMC is currently reviewing education standards for nurse and midwifery training. Draft proposals will be out for consultation in Autumn 2017.
- PBMP Education Team are working with the RCM, RCN and some Universities around pre-registration transfusion education.
- The provision of blood components for Normo-thermic perfusion of organs for transplantation; NHSBT (ODT) is drafting a paper for the MHRA ‘in collaboration with the National Retrieval Group’ regarding appropriate fating of these components.

10. **Audits and Surveys**
Group stated that NCA’s are getting longer, more frequent and more difficult, AMD advised that this has been fed back on a National basis. The group also stated that having set up and analysis done for them is helpful.
2017 NCA audits include:
- Audit of O negative red cells Autumn 2017
- Audit of Red Cell & Platelet transfusion in adult haematology patients - re-audit July 2017
- TACO Audit - started 6th March 2017
  Group noted that the data collection process has highlighted major issues with documentation within Trusts.

11. **Way forward**
Group agreed to keep format as per today’s meeting
| 12. | **A.O.B**  
Supply Chain Modernisation  
- Leeds, Newcastle and Sheffield collections will go to Manchester for manufacture and then be distributed to hospitals. Platelet manufacture was transferred from Newcastle on 8\textsuperscript{th} May 2017, transfer of red cells is anticipated to be 21\textsuperscript{st} August 2017. This process should be invisible to hospitals  
- Awaiting the decision regarding the closure of Leeds and Sheffield Blood Centres and the opening of a merged centre in Barnsley.  
- Fetal RHD screening. 
  Contact [Erika.Rutherford@nhsbt.nhs.uk](mailto:Erika.Rutherford@nhsbt.nhs.uk) for assistance in setting up business cases and costing. Erika is happy to visit Trusts to discuss this. 
  For further information see [http://hospital.blood.co.uk/diagnostic-services/red-cell-immunohaematology/antenatal-screening-services/#fetal](http://hospital.blood.co.uk/diagnostic-services/red-cell-immunohaematology/antenatal-screening-services/#fetal) |
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| 13. | **Date and time of next meeting**  
- Circulate ‘When is good’ for November 2017.  
- AB to chair.  
- Agenda to include presentations on:  
  - HLA matching, including - importance and value of incremental rise / specifics about cross matching / what are we asking donors / how is HLA typing done / why notice is required. Request Vaughan Carter give presentation.  
  - Case study on suspected TRALI patient at Newcastle Trust. Request Jonathan Wallis give presentation.  
  - Blood transfusion in the field. JN to give presentation. |