

East Midlands Regional Transfusion Committee

Unconfirmed Minutes of Regional Transfusion Team Meeting (EM-RTT)

Friday 7th June 2013

Charnwood Mill, Barrow-on-Soar, Loughborough

09:30 – 10:30

Present :

Attendees

Angela McKernan (Chair)	AM	Royal Derby
Kath Hearnshaw (Secretary)	KH	NHSBT
Rob Webster	RW	NHSBT
Nicky Rollings	NR	Chesterfield Royal
Janice Smith	JS	Chesterfield Royal
Cherry Chang	CC	Nottingham University Hospitals
Dennis Prangnell	DP	United Lincolnshire Hospitals

Apologies

Andrew Fletcher	AF	Chesterfield Royal
Hafiz Qureshi	HQ	University Hospitals Leicester
Jot Hyare	JH	University Hospitals Leicester
Aamer Ahmed	AA	University Hospitals Leicester

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

1. Apologies

Apologies were received and noted.

2. Minutes of the last RTC Meeting held on 24th February 2012 and matters arising

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

3. Feedback from RTC Task Groups

3.1 Audit & Appropriate Usage Task Group

The FFP audit is now underway and this will be based on 20 cases per hospital. The data will be collected retrospectively. We expect the report in September.

3.2 Education & Training Group

- 25.04.2013 – Patient Blood Management, The Source, Sheffield

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Although this was well attended and well evaluated, the number of targeted delegates was poor for the region.

The main problem is due to the DOH still not sending the KPI's for Chief Executives and this has been feedback to the NBTC.

The Better Blood Team has now changed their name to the Patient Blood Management Team and KH new title is Patient Blood Management Practitioner.

We have 2 more planned educational events:

- 24.09.2013 – Blood on the Floor

This event will be based upon blood use in the emergency setting aimed towards ED and theatre staff. Topics: Overview of transfusion in emergency; POC focusing on Hemocue; case studies; trauma centre; cell salvage in trauma; air ambulance.

- 24.01.2014 – Am I a clot or not?

Topics: New anticoagulants; DIC; Liver audit results; BCSH Guidelines; Use of Tranexamic Acid.

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 enables us to run the education day on the 24th September.

Action: JS to ask Andrew Fletcher if able to present any of the topics for January 2014

3.3 Newsletter

Newsletter No 17 will be updated and published on the website and OC will send the link. OC to look at re-designing the newsletter to make it look more up to date and attractive.

Action: KH/OC to update and publish No 17

3.4 Patient Blood Management

There is a dedicated PBM page on the website. KH had circulated a toolkit from another region, and encouraged our region to adapt and put the revised document on this page. Leicester has done a lot of work in this area and could share their experiences.

4. **RTC Financial Report**

OC confirmed for the financial year 2012-13 we had received £1,005 in sponsorship and our expenditure was £3,439 with a balance outstanding of -£59.

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The RTC budget for 2013-14 will be the same as last year.

Ongoing problems continue with gaining sponsorship and funding for educational events. The North region will be sharing and pulling together all companies for a fairer way of distributing funds equally.

Action: AM agreed to contact a few drug companies to see if they will sponsor the January event.

5. AOB

Amanda Gardner asked if we could raise and discuss setting up a regional transfer of blood policy. This will be discussed further during the RTC meeting and perhaps a working group could be set up to review the East of England policy.

6. Dates & Venues for future RTC meetings 2013

Tuesday 8th October 2013 – Charnos Hall, Ilkeston Community Hospital, Derbyshire

Action: OC to contact Hayley Bond for possible dates for February 2014 at the Post Grad Centre, Nottingham

RTT – Action list 7th June 2013

Item No	Action	By Whom	Completion
3.2	To ask Andrew Fletcher if able to present any of the topics for January 2014	JS	End June 2013
	To contact drug companies / reps to sponsor the January 2014 event	AM	End June 2013
3.3	To update and publish Newsletter No 17	KH / OC	End June 2013
6	To contact Hayley Bond for possible dates for February 2014 at the Post Grad Centre, Nottingham	OC	End June 2013