

East Midlands Regional Transfusion Committee

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

Friday 7th June 2013

Charnwood Mill, Barrow-on-Soar, Loughborough

13.45 – 16.30

Present :

Attendees

Angela McKernan (Chair)	AM	Royal Derby
Kath Hearnshaw (Secretary)	KH	NHSBT
Janice Smith	JS	Chesterfield Royal
Nicky Rollings	NR	Chesterfield Royal
Angela Houston	AH	Kettering General
Leanne Hostler	LH	Kings Mill
Jane Walden	JW	Kings Mill
Rob Webster	RW	NHSBT
Delia Smith	DS	NHSBT
Pam Wake	PW	Nottingham University Hospitals
Phillipa Cheshire	PC	Nottingham University Hospitals
Cherry Chang	CC	Nottingham University Hospitals
Linda Hoyland	LH	Nottingham University Hospitals
Suzanne Wake	SW	Nottingham University Hospitals
Debra Davis	DD	Royal Derby
Dennis Prangnell	DP	United Lincolnshire Hospitals
Fiona Waller	FW	University Hospitals Leicester
James Reid	JR	University Hospitals Leicester
Marie Browett	MB	University Hospitals Leicester
Hafiz Qureshi	HQ	University Hospitals Leicester
Jot Hyare	JH	University Hospitals Leicester

Apologies

Andrew Fletcher	AF	Chesterfield Royal
Carole Lowe	CL	Kettering General
Jayne Sharpe	JSh	Kings Mill
Karen Spreckley	KS	Northampton
Hayley Bond	HB	Nottingham University Hospitals
Sandra Dodds	SD	Royal Derby
Ant Jackson	AJ	United Lincolnshire Hospitals
Carol Richardson	CR	United Lincolnshire Hospitals
Aamer Ahmed	AA	University Hospitals Leicester

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

1. Welcome and apologies

AM welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were received and noted.

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2. Minutes of the last RTC Meeting held on 12th February 2013 and matters arising

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

JH advised the antenatal services contract will soon be up for tender and hospitals may wish to consider taking this service back inhouse. A further update will follow in due course.

3. Hospital Reports

A representative from Chesterfield; Kettering; Leicester; Nottingham; Royal Derby and United Lincolnshire Hospitals cascaded their individual reports to the group.

Issues / Concerns:

JS – Chesterfield, currently experiencing problems with their IH1000 automated blood screening system. AM added they have been having similar issues and decided to write to all RTC Chairs to see if any other hospitals are reporting this.

AH – Kettering, looking at consent closely.

JW – Kings Mill, 2 sample rule – asked how others are implementing this.

LH – Nottingham, looking to bring back antenatal services inhouse.

Action: AM to contact other RTC Chair's to see if they have similar issues with IH1000 Automated Blood Screening System

OC to update / revise the HTC proforma and ensure this is sent at least 4 weeks prior to the next RTC for KH to collate information.

DD – Royal Derby, after 40 years of service at the Royal Derby, Judith Beale will be retiring in November 2013.

4. Feedback from RTC Task Groups

4.1 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.

4.2 Education & Training Group

- 25.04.2013 – Patient Blood Management - The Source, Sheffield.

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

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The main problem is due to the DOH still not sending the KPI's for Chief Executives and this has been fed back 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: KH to finalise speakers for the education day for emergency staff and secure venue and date for September 2013 and secure speakers for January 2014

4.3 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.

4.4 Patient Blood Management Group

There is a dedicated PBM page on the website. KH had circulated a toolkit from another region as an example, 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.

5. KPI's – Delia Smith



KPI 07.06.2013

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Discussed the reasons why Red Cell issues have declined over the past few months and this is being monitored. If this will continue NHSBT will have to look at adjusting a variety of areas i.e donor sessions; staffing etc.

Some hospitals are no longer using FFP and are now using Octaplas.

6. HTC Chair's toolkit – for discussion

KH suggested that we review this document and adapt this for our region and put this on our website to help colleagues. Any ideas / suggestions most welcome.

AM agreed to issue the KPI's for the transfusion lead.

MB agreed to contact a patient who may wish to be the patient representative on the EM RTC.

7. SaBTO Guidelines – for discussion

Discussion around the table on how people are recording consent. Some have adapted their prescription charts and some have a tick box. Some are under review and Leicester are already doing written consent. HQ could possibly deliver a presentation on how this was implemented at Leicester at our next RTC in October.

8. Feedback from RTC associated groups and circulated papers

8.1 Feedback from EM Transfusion Practitioner's Group - JS:

The last meeting was held at Leicester and was well attended which included a cell salvage workshop by Malcolm Chambers. The next TP meeting will be held at Chesterfield on 18th September 2013. JS and KH will meet up to discuss the agenda, any suggestions please to Janice or Kath.

8.2 Feedback from NBTC / RTC Chair's meeting 22nd April 2013

(Embed report from AM)

9. National Comparative Audit of blood sampling and labelling - discussion

Most hospitals have SOP's in place – the following have zero tolerance on mis labelling: Kettering; Kings Mill ; Leicester; Nottingham and United Lincolnshire. It can somewhat vary at Chesterfield – some discrepancies. Royal Derby – doesn't have zero tolerance and is currently under review.

KH raised concern and whether a toolkit will be helpful.

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10. Regional transfer of blood policy

Amanda Gardner (AG) from Leicester wanted us to put this item on the agenda but unfortunately was unable to attend.

EM does have a regional policy and further advice to follow. MHRA are looking at ensuring the storage of blood between the transfer blood in boxes is validated and secure.

CC agreed to set up a working group to review this document along with LH. Any other volunteers welcome, particularly a TP from another trust.

JH will feed back to AG.

Action: CC/LH to set up a working group to review / amend the East of England's toolkit for the procedure for the emergency transfer of blood and components with patients between hospitals

DD to liaise with Judy Beale / Trevor Harden to see if they wish to join the above group

JH to feedback to Amanda Gardner regarding the E of E toolkit for the regional transfer of blood policy

11. AOB

JR wanted others to share their experiences on their 2 sample rule and it was suggested to have Nottingham to present at the next RTC meeting on their implementation of this. Some trusts are unsure whether to follow the guidelines due to cost implications. Debate about the risks and benefits if non compliant.

JH's role has now changed and therefore this will be his last attendance at the RTC meeting.

KH advised we need an RTC action plan and will draft this plan for the next meeting.

CC raised an example of whether to give Anti-D to a patient with reoccurring bleeding. Anti-D is to be given on every new event. HQ advised the new BCSH guidelines will be coming out shortly and will disseminate.

Action: KH/OC to draft RTC Action plan 2013-14

OC to contact HQ for the new Anti-D guidelines

12. Dates & Venues for future RTC meetings 2013

Tuesday 8th October 2013, Charnos Hall, Ilkeston Community Hospital, Derbyshire
February 2014 – Date & Venue to be confirmed.

AM thanked everyone who attended.

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RTC – Action list 7th June 2013

Item No	Action	By Whom	Completion
3	To contact other RTC Chair's to see if they have similar issues with IH1000 Automated Blood Screening System	AM / OC	End June 2013
4.2	To finalise speakers for the education day for emergency staff and secure venue and date for September 2013	KH	End Aug 2013
	To finalise speakers for January 2014	KH	End Sept 2013
4.3	To update and publish No 17	OC/KH	End June 2013
4.4 & 10	To set up a working group to review / amend the East of England's toolkit for the procedure for the emergency transfer of blood and components with patients between hospitals	CC / LH	End July 2013
	To liaise with Judy Beale / Trevor Harden to see if they wish to join the above group	DD	End June 2013
6	To send the KPI's / role of the transfusion lead	AM	End June 2013
	To contact possible patient representative to join EM RTC	MB	End Sept 2013
	To review / adapt the NW HTC Chair's Toolkit	KH / All?	End Sept 2013
10	To feedback to Amanda Gardner regarding the E of E toolkit for the regional transfer of blood policy	JH	End June 2013
11	To draft RTC Action plan 2013-14	KH / OC	End Sept 2013
	To contact HQ for the new Anti-D guidelines	OC	End July 2013