

**South East Regional Transfusion Team Meeting
Tuesday 25 January 2022 (1000)
via Microsoft Teams**

Approved Minutes

Attendees	
Howard Wakeling (HW)	Simon Stanworth (SS)
Kerry Dowling (KD)	Anwen Davies (AD)
Kim East (KE)	Tanya Hawkins (TH)
Ruth O'Donnell (RO)	Jonathan Ricks (JR)
Nelson Johnson (NJ)	Zoe Sammut (ZS)
Shabana Tufail(ST)	Lisa Marsh (LM)
Emma Taylor (ET)	Richard Whitmore (RW)
Frances Moll (FM)	
Apologies	
Fatts Chowdhury	Emma O'Donovan
Simon Rang	Elizabeth Tatam

	Actions completed
1. Welcome HW welcomed everyone to the first RTT meeting of 2022.	
2. Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 5 October 2021 The minutes were agreed with no amendments	
3. Membership HW – A letter has been sent from Howard on behalf of the RTT, thanking Roese Spicer (RS) for her contribution to the RTT. RS has recently taken up a new role as an Outpatient Manager. An e-mail is to be sent to the SE TLM distribution list to invite interest from the group to fill this vacancy. ACTION	
4. Budget HW said more information regarding the budget would follow with decision to be made centrally.	
5. Transfusion Bites – Wednesday 3 November 2021 HW said this was an excellent format, and the feedback had been very positive. TH was praised for devising this idea a few years ago, it was agreed this approach was well received. Thank you to the speakers on the day, but also for giving consent for their presentations to be available on the PBM YouTube Channel – thus, providing a resource for others. There have been between 25-50 views of each presentation.	
6. Workplan 2022 Members discussed the project ideas put forward by the SE groups. The work plan was updated with agreed projects placed across the year. Updated work plan – <i>will be accessible here</i> .	

QS138 audit tool: AD explained the difference between the NCA audit and the audit tool. The NCA was a snapshot audit, whereas the QS138 Audit tool will allow a continuing cycle of audit, with benchmarking against regional and national compliance. It would allow hospitals to self-generate reports, displaying compliance trends, which would be useful to demonstrate effectiveness of interventions or where there is need for improvement. The questions on the NCA audit are the same as those on the existing tool. Audit tool testing likely to take place in February for piloting in March. Once piloting is complete, QS138 will be performed in the SE biannually, in April (auditing Q4), and October (auditing Q2). Added to workplan.

Audit on Reversal of DOACs and Vitamin K Antagonists in Trauma Related Bleeding – the audit started on January 4, with the closing date extended to April 14, 2022. Added to workplan.

Blood Stocks Management team – Regional KPIs – volunteers for a working group have come forward – with representatives from Southampton, Brighton, and Buckinghamshire and Berkshire. Two meetings to be planned in March, followed by monthly meetings to monitor progress.

O Pos in Bleeding Males – Following on from the regional results presentation at the joint TP/TLM meeting in September, where there was an incomplete picture of regional practice, three volunteers, from Oxford, Maidstone and Brighton, have come forward so far to be on an O neg working group.

KD agreed to co-ordinate and analyse a repeat survey to provide data and decide how to progress with the working group - Survey in February. ACTION

As part of the survey KE suggested the MH logs should be shared which show usage of O Neg or O Pos. KE to work with KD suggested questions - do you have a policy – yes/ no. If no, what are your barriers? ; if yes, do you routinely audit your MH for appropriateness.

Are you implementing your policy? ACTION

Added to workplan

The O Neg Tool Kit has shared practices across the region: KE (BSPS); CS (Western Sussex) and RS (East Kent).

MH Practices – SS and KD involved with the MH Practices and Guideline update. The update should be available in the next 2/3 months. It was suggested that once everyone had had a chance to look at the guidelines, they could consider an audit. One example put forward was - Turnaround times for coagulation tests. It was agreed this would make an education event. An hour education on new guidelines in July ACTION

Followed by an RTC Business meeting ACTION.

Added to workplan

Transfusion 2024 – looking at the separate elements – PBM - QS138 being followed up; Transfusion Lab and Education - BMS education days.

BMS Study Days – KD happy to continue these and ST (plus ET & RW) offered to help again. November

Added to workplan

Stocking AB Red Cells in the region – Blood Stocks Management do not feel that this is a valuable project at this present time. Removed from projects.

Cell Salvage survey (NBTC) – Cell Salvage action group are carrying out a survey. It was agreed to wait until the outcome of the national survey and review when the report is available. ACTION – to be added to next RTT agenda

BOOST – AD provided the background – a PhD student, looked at patients’ perceptions on receiving routine transfusion/top ups etc South Central contributed to the discussion forums. It was suggested they should be invited back to summarise their PhD findings. Patient perspectives are always well received. KD suggested a “patient focus” event this year; . Southampton has a trauma patient who has recorded his experience and is usually quite willing to answer questions. Month to be confirmed. Added to workplan

Transfusion Bites – to be held in October Added to workplan

NCA audits - FFP/Cryo; QS138; Medicine re-audit - to be discussed at the next RTT meeting. ACTION item for next RTT agenda

Joint TP/TLM meeting – This could be a face-to-face meeting. Guildford is quite central – KE to see what accommodation might be available for 35-40 people. ACTION

Draft Work plan to be sent to HW and KD for an intro paragraph, then circulated to the RTC.

7. AOB

8. Date of next meeting: 1st week May/ 1st week July (dates to be circulated)