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Avoidable Red cell transfusion due to **Inadequate Investigation of Anaemia**

A Retrospective, Multi-Centre Audit

ARIIA aims to assess the incidence of transfusion in anaemic patients in the acute setting where further investigation could have avoided it.

Cause?

Type

ANAEMIA

The audit will involve reviewing the notes for any patient who received a transfusion in an acute area for a period of one month to determine appropriateness of transfusion. investigations performed and further transfusions.

The practice of transfusing blood before the cause of anaemia is identified exposes patients to the risks associated with blood products and the potential for a delayed or missed diagnosis of, for example, **Alternatives gastrointestinal** malignancy.

This audit is being launched at Oxford **University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, contact** the ARIIA team above or speak to your local HaemSTAR representative to find out more about contributing data from HaemSTAR your own site.