

Confirmed minutes
South Central Regional Transfusion Team Meeting

November 24th 2020 10.00 via Microsoft Teams

Attendees

Nick Goddard (NG)	Anwen Davies (AnD)
Alison Davies (AID)	Kerry Dowling (KD)
Kim East (KE)	Tanya Hawkins (TH)
Jacky Nabb (JN)	Jonathon Ricks (JR)
Simon Stanworth (SS)	

Apologies

Cathy Lim	Emma Taylor
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	Action
<p>1) <u>Welcome Nick Goddard as RTC Chair</u> The team welcomed NG to the SC RTC as the RTC Chair. There followed a discussion on how the RTT would like to see the region move forward over the next couple of years. As a region we have the ability to share processes, initiatives, achievements and issues and have a wealth of experience amongst its members. We have the opportunity to take stock and reflect on where we are and how we would like to move forward. Discussion points included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Provide an inroad to users, help us to make contact with a wider audience b) Understand what users need and where we fit in. c) Improve clinical engagement to enable information gathered from regional audits to inform practice and support regional objectives d) Improve communication with clinical areas to get messages out, obtain information and learn from each other e) Engagement with clinicians to attend HTC meetings. How do we make the meetings more impacting and important to those attending? f) Understanding of the impact on patient outcome g) Provide a conduit between NBTC and RTC h) Audits and guidelines to be more up to date and relevant to practice i) Review of open projects required 	
<p>2) <u>Previous minutes - July 31st</u> The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed</p>	
<p>3) <u>Regional realignment</u> At the RTC Chair meeting in September a regional realignment was proposed and agreed, to bring the 10 current RTC regions in line with the 7 NHS England regions. A NHSBT Executive meeting will be held in January 2021 to discuss how the transition to the proposed structure could be managed. Feedback from each of the current RTCs has been requested with a deadline of December 18th.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) <u>Feedback</u> The following points were discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The NHS England South East region is a combination of Hospitals 	JN/SS

<p>within the current SC and SEC RTC regions with the exception of Milton Keynes who will move to a different region. MKH have worked closely with Oxford and it was felt that there would be inconsistencies on how this is taken forward.</p> <p>Question – are there hard boundaries or can a hospital opt to join a different region?</p> <p>ii) Blood services will remain with the existing centres, the TLM groups align with the blood centres so will cover a number of regions. This can be confusing currently and has the potential to be even more so with the introduction of pathology networks.</p> <p>Question – can the realignment be more consistent?</p> <p>iii) The realigned region will cover a large geographical area which could have an impact on attendance at face to face meetings.</p> <p>Consideration – <i>although virtual meetings are successful and useful it is felt there is still a need for face to face meetings. How do we manage the large geographical area?</i></p> <p>iv) Budget – Question how will the budgets for the realigned region be formed and managed?</p> <p>v) Structure - RTT / RTC Membership/ Chair</p> <p>- Question What plans are being considered for the Chairs position in the new region (there are currently two in place)</p> <p>- Question – Will the RTT have input into what amendments to the ToRs are to be made?</p> <p>- Question - Will the members from the current two regions combine to form one RTT?</p> <p>b) Communication to the RTC</p> <p>It was agreed to produce a written communication to be sent to the hospitals within the RTC introducing NG as RTC Chair and advising of the realignment. Feedback will be requested by 10th December</p> <p>c) TP and TLM meetings</p> <p>To be added to the agenda for meetings being held in December</p> <p>d) Feedback so far</p> <p>Following the SEC RTT meeting feedback so far will be collated and shared with the RTTs</p>	<p>AnD/SS/JN</p> <p>AnD/JN</p>
<p>4) <u>RTT Membership</u></p> <p>a) AID will be leaving her post as TLM at Queen Alexandra Hospital Portsmouth end of February 2021.</p> <p>b) CL will leave her post as CSM for Southampton and Oxford at the beginning of December, thanks given to CL for her contribution to the region over the last five years, the RTT wish her well in her new role.</p> <p>c) Emma Taylor has taken over the CSM role for Southampton, NHSBT are recruiting for replacement CSM for Oxford</p>	
<p>5) <u>Budget</u></p> <p>Nothing spent to date</p>	
<p>6) <u>Meeting reviews</u></p> <p>Feedback from Transfusion Bites was positive and the meeting was successful</p>	
<p>7) <u>Future Meetings dates and programmes.</u></p> <p>a) SC Region Business meeting to be held via Microsoft Teams on February 10th 2021.</p>	

<p>Format to be a two-hour duration, one hour covering an interesting topic/education and one-hour business meeting, including regional realignment. The following have been suggested at previous meetings, (Lessons learnt / Regional O neg project / BOOST study results). It was also agreed to consider subjects identified in Transfusion Bites feedback.</p> <p>NG will look at putting some cases together to give a talk at the meeting.</p> <p>b) RTT meeting for realigned region to be arranged, timing to be considered</p> <p>c) RTC business meeting for realigned region proposed for May 2021</p> <p>d) Education Day for realigned region to be arranged. Subjects to be from previous feedback/ suggestions including Major Haemorrhage – Gastro-Intestinal Bleed</p>	<p>RTT</p> <p>NG</p> <p>RTT</p> <p>RTT</p> <p>RTT</p>
<p>8) <u>NHSBT Update</u></p> <p>a) AD requested any information of changes in delivery of clinical services to be sent to Covid19BloodRecovery@nhsbt.nhs.uk to help inform forecasting of blood demand. RBC stock is currently 87% of previous year with O neg at 90%</p> <p>b) O+ granulocytes are now available Monday Saturday</p> <p>c) The PBM Toolkit is now available on the Hospital and Sciences website; a two-part Maternity Anaemia resource is also available.</p> <p>d) Pre-op Anaemia toolkit will be available in the next few weeks</p> <p>e) Convalescent Plasma Trial update, the Recovery Trial has now recruited over 5,000 patients. Data is expected to be submitted for analysis. The Remap-cap trial is also expected to submit data for analysis shortly after</p>	<p>RTT</p>
<p>9) <u>AOB</u></p> <p>a) NG advised the team of an alternative to Microsoft Teams for meetings which allows participants to attend sub meetings and provides more options for face to face interaction. We are aware that hospitals have restrictions on access to software and currently Microsoft Teams is the option used by most hospitals. NG will look into this and send information to JN if thought to be relevant.</p> <p>b) For information</p> <p>i) Indication codes for transfusion 2020</p> <p>ii) BSH Guidelines on the use of irradiated blood components Oct 2020</p> <p>iii) 2018/19 Audit of the Management of Maternal Anaemia</p> <p>iv) SHOT Benchmarking data now available</p>	<p>NG</p>
10) Meeting Close 11.05	