

NHSBT London Region Hospital Liaison HTC report
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London RTC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The RTC's first Educational Video has been uploaded to You Tube titled, 'Platelets, the Basics' which was first presented at the LoPAG champions Day. The video can be access from: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tQcSEyCFHW8
National Comparative Audit (NCA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2011 Audit of the medical use of blood – part 1 report published; part 2 in progress. 2012 Audit of the blood sample collection and labelling – report published. 2013 Audit of the use of anti-D – data collection starts June and closes October 2013. 2013 Audit of patient information and consent – Autumn 2013. QuickAudits – an automated clinical audit reporting system has now been launched; future NCAs will have an associated QuickAudit tool for follow-up re-audit. <p style="text-align: center;">The NCA audit user's homepage can be found at www.nhsbtaudits.co.uk</p>
Transfusion Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The latest edition of 'Transfusion Matters' focuses on Patient Involvement and Empowerment, and is now available (contact your TP or HTT for further details).
NBTC indication codes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The NBTC indication codes for transfusion were updated in April 2013, see: www.transfusionguidelines.org.uk/docs/pdfs/nbtc_2014_04_recs_indication_codes_2013.pdf
Learnblood-transfusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Transfusion Laboratory: safe practice</i> e-learning course is now available on learnPro, NLMS and e-LfH, and has replaced the <i>Safe Transfusion Practice in the Lab.</i> module
RCN guidance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Right blood, right patient, right time</i> - the RCN guidance document for improving transfusion practice has been revised in April 2013, see: www.rcn.org.uk/development/publications
NICE guidelines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The final scope for the NICE guidelines on Transfusion has now been published; see: http://guidance.nice.org.uk/CG/Wave0/663/Scoping/Scope/pdf/English
Cell Salvage labels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The UK Cell Salvage Action group has issued an open letter highlighting: the importance of labelling 'salvaged' autologous blood, the standard UK autologous transfusion labels that are available for use, and resources that are available to support this process; see: www.transfusionguidelines.org/Index.aspx?Publication=BBT&Section=22&pageid=7565
DH news	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The DH website has now been replaced by GOV.UK - this includes the SaBTO website, see: www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health
NHSBT News	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Eurobloodpack™ (a standardised Europe-wide whole blood collection system) will be supplied by Macopharma; this supply will commence to NHSBT in May 2013. There is now a dedicated 'Safe and Appropriate Use of Blood Components' page on the Hospitals and Science website at: http://hospital.blood.co.uk/safe_use/index.asp
	<p style="text-align: center;">Also see the NHSBT Hospital Liaison monthly 'Update' : http://hospital.blood.co.uk/ Current NBS blood stocks: www.blood.co.uk/StockGraph/StockLevelStandard.aspx</p>
Regional Meetings and Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> London RTC Business Meeting and Transfusion & Major Haemorrhage Education afternoon – 25th October Obstetrics Education Day – 24th January 2014
National and International Events	<p>23rd-25th Sept: IBMS Biomedical Science Congress, Birmingham; www.ibms.org/go/congress 16th-18th Oct: BBTS Annual Conference, Birmingham; www.bbts.org.uk/</p>

This document can also be downloaded from the London RTC website:

<http://www.transfusionguidelines.org.uk/Index.aspx?Publication=RTC&Section=28&pageid=1044>

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