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NORTH EAST REGIONAL TRANSFUSION COMMITTEE

Meeting at

Lecture Theatre, NHS Blood and Transplant, Newcastle upon Tyne

Wednesday 5th November 2014 @ 13:30

Present:

Tina Biss (TB)	Consultant Haematologist, Newcastle
Dave Bruce (DB)	RCI, NHSBT (for presentation only)
Jill Caulfield (JC)	Senior Biomedical Scientist, Gateshead
Robin Coupe (RC)	Customer Services Manager, NHSBT
Vicki Davidson (VD)	Transfusion Practitioner, South Tees
Chris Elliott (CE)	Haematology Directorate Manager, South Tees
Rachel Evans (RE)	Haematology SpR, NHSBT
Rebecca Gerrard (RG)	National Lead - Patient Blood Management Team
Michelle Lannon (ML)	Haematology SpR, Newcastle
Martin Maley (MM)	RCI, NHSBT
Phil Mounter (PM)	Consultant Haematologist and Chair of HTC, North Tees and Hartlepool
Henning Pauli (HP)	Consultant Anaesthetist and Chair of HTC, Newcastle
Dianne Plews (DP)	Consultant Haematologist and Chair of HTC, South Tees
Tracey Scholes (TS)	Regional Customer Service Manager (North)
Yvonne Scott (YS)	Transfusion Laboratory Manager, Newcastle
John Sutton (JS)	Transfusion Laboratory Manager, Cumbria
Hazel Tinegate (HT)	Consultant Haematologist, NHSBT - Chair
Jonathan Trattles (JT)	Transfusion Practitioner, Sunderland
Russell Urwin (RU)	Transfusion Laboratory Manager, CDDFT
Jonathan Wallis (JW)	Northern Regional Haematology Group Representative
Karen Ward (KW)	Transfusion Laboratory Manager, Northumbria
Denise Watson (DW)	Regional Lead: Patient Blood Management Team, NHSBT
Chris Williams (CW)	Consultant Haematologist, Northumbria
Janice Robertson (JR)	RTC Administrator, NHSBT

Apologies:

Sara Avery (SA)	Transfusion Practitioner, Newcastle
Allistair Dodds (AD)	Consultant Anaesthetist and Chair of HTC, Sunderland
Adil Iqbal (AI)	Chair, Consultant Haematologist, CDDFT
Karen Simblet (KS)	QA Manager, NHSBT
Dorothy Todd (DT)	Patient Representative
Sue Wardle (SW)	Blood Conservation Lead
Megan Wrightson (MW)	Transfusion Practitioner, South Tees

	<p>1. HT explained she was acting as chair in view of AI's absence due to sickness. She welcomed the group, in particular Rebecca Gerrard, National Lead - Patient Blood Management Team</p> <p>2. PRESENTATIONS Update on RCI Quantification of Anti D and Anti c Presented by Dave Bruce Recognition of TACO in patients aged over 70 years Presented by Denise Watson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There was interest in a regional survey, but the group was not keen to proceed at present due to time needed. HT suggested preparing a "Quick Audit" for hospitals to use which may be of help. DP queried what the standards would be. <p>Survey of Massive Blood Loss in North East of England Presented by Michelle Lannon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional agreement requested for consistency in 1st pack (1 to 1) Group could not see a problem with this, with exception of platelets. <p>3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING 04.06.2014. Minutes confirmed. Can be posted on website. Matters arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use of CMV neg components in the North East Region Awaiting new guidelines from Great Ormond Street Hospital <p>4. Blood Component use by RTC Presented as discussed.</p> <p>5. Update from NBTC NPSA safer practice notice 14 review group Draft of the 'Guidance and Recommendations for Training and Assessment in Blood Transfusion' was circulated. There was considerable discussion about some of the specific recommendations and frustration expressed at delay in this project. There was general agreement that the Skills for Health Standards in transfusion needed to be reviewed and updated specifically related to competency training. JW to speak to Craig Taylor.</p> <p>6. REPORTS FROM HTC's There were no further comments from representatives at the meeting.</p> <div data-bbox="323 1480 391 1541" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Combined report.pdf</p> <p>7. Clinical Quality Incidents The report will be circulated later. Baby transfused has developed CMV infection, probably unrelated to transfusion, donor tests negative, investigation ongoing.</p> <p>8. Haemostasis and Thrombosis matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional Survey Of Novel Oral Anticoagulant - Related Bleeding - data collection finishing December 2014, feel it has been under reported. Presented at 'A Bleeding Crisis?' intend to submit as an abstract to either BSH, ISTH or IBTS meeting in 2015. The ORANGE study is now recruiting within the UK and looking for centres to participate. This study will report on major bleeding in 	<p>Action</p> <p>JR</p> <p>JW</p>
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	<p>individuals taking any of the oral anticoagulants. TB to circulate details to RTC members.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trusts confirmed they would be interested in a regional protocol for the management of NOAC related bleeding, TB to take forward. 	TB
9.	<p>Blood Conservation Link</p> <p>Request assistance from pre assessment nurses to develop guidelines for region</p>	TB
10.	<p>EDUCATION AND TRAINING</p> <p>10.1 Feedback - RTC Study day – A Bleeding Crisis? 16th October 2014. Venue - The Durham Centre. Stuart McPherson and Tina Biss top scores on evaluation, all speakers scored well. Most delegates felt event met objectives.</p> <p>10.2 RTC Study Day 2015 Group agreed to look at a PBM day, to include a gap analysis regarding PBM recommendations in HTC report for next meeting.</p> <p>10.3 Nurse Authorisation Education Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Haematology / Oncology Nurses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 22nd January 2015. Venue – NHSBT Newcastle ○ Requests for applications circulated • Advanced Critical Care Practitioners 11th and 14th November, RVI <p>10.4 TP / BMS Development Day 18th and 19th March 2015. Venue – NHSBT Newcastle</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 18th March repeat of last event – TP/BMS Development – max 12 • 19th March – Coaching and Action Learning Sets – max 9. Only open to those who attended Development Days earlier this year <p>10.5 Neonatal Study Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In collaboration and funded by the Regional Neonatal Network • Nurses and medics from across the region • Date provisionally 19th May 2015 • Venue Allergate House, Durham <p>10.6 Newcastle Transfusion Course</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Underway • Next event potentially 2016, enquiries to be directed to Sara Avery. <p>10.7 Practical Introduction to Transfusion Sciences (PITS) 2 courses run in 2014, well attended and evaluated. Provided as 5 day block of training. 2015 events - February and October, info via hospital and sciences website. Advise RC if interested in higher level courses.</p>	JR
11.	<p>AUDIT</p> <p>11.1 Red Cell Immunohaematology Survey Collecting data on RCI referrals. Aiming for 100 events, have approximately 70 to date.</p> <p>11.2 National Audits</p> <p>Anti-D Report now available on your homepage</p> <p>Consent and patient information Report now available on your homepage</p> <p>National Survey of Red Cell Use (Post meeting note) Completed, reports sent out this week</p> <p>Audit of Sickle Cell Disease Ongoing</p> <p>Age of Blood Study Report pending, hopefully early in new year. Will be presented at ISBT London</p> <p>AFFINITIE 5 year programme. Surgery / Haematology patients. Groups allocated intervention - implement and feedback then re audit. Groups to be anonymised and confidentiality requested</p>	

<p>12.</p>	<p>REPORTS FROM RTC GROUPS</p> <p>12.1 Transfusion Practitioners / Assistant Transfusion Practitioners</p> <p>Transfusion Practitioners Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting 29th October • Review of the Nurse Authorisation guidelines allocated to TPs. • Ready for approval at March RTC. • Meeting dates for 2015 TBC <p>Assistant Transfusion Practitioners Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting 2nd October • Wide variation in roles across the regions • Next meeting 10th December <p>12.2 Newcastle Blood Centre Users Group</p> <p>Meeting 1st October, included presentations on VANESA4 (Clive Hyam) and Training, Assessment and Competency Tool – TACT (Bill Chaffe). CE requested support to encourage implementation of TACT</p> <p>12.3 Blood Consultative Committee</p> <p>Meeting 2nd October. Key points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blood sciences have slightly more majors • Investigation of anomalies was most cited investigation • Traceability, if not 100% need to demonstrate action plan to reduce numbers • Gap analysis expected against published standards (Council of Europe) • Suggestion that good practice not shared • CE to circulate report with attachments <p>12.4 NBTC Laboratory Managers Group</p> <p>Meeting 16th September 2014.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication with hospitals during emergencies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Modernisation of xMatters Mass Messaging System, volunteers requested to test licenses on a trial basis. • Guidance on the appropriate use of group O RhD negative red cells <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Snap survey discussed and changes agreed. ◦ Pro-forma of the National Request Form presented feedback to Karen Ward. 	<p>CE</p>
<p>13.</p>	<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roll out of RCI extended working day will commence January 2015 • Blood On Board – Northumbria Blood Bikes assisting with transport • The 2015 Annual SHOT Symposium will be held on Saturday 27 June 2015 and will be incorporated into the ISBT/BBTS Congress, registration will be required for a minimum of two days, Sat 27th (SHOT day) and Sun 28th (Academy day) or for the complete ISBT/BBTS Congress, 27th June – 1st July 2015. Bookings currently credit card only, price quoted on application form is in euro's. 	
<p>14.</p>	<p>Date and time of next meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4th March 2015 • 3rd June 2015. 	