

NHSBT London Region Hospital Liaison HTC report
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NBTC Patient Blood Management Recommendations	The National Blood Transfusion Committee's <i>Patient Blood Management</i> recommendations have been released and are accessible on the JPAC website at: http://www.transfusionguidelines.org.uk/ This document will be further distributed to hospitals via NHS England within the next few weeks.
London RTC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The RTC sample labelling video is available on YouTube http://youtu.be/WnC2Kk06XL0 Contact the London PBM if required in a different format. You can follow the London RTC on Twitter @london_RTC for regional and national updates Non-medical authorisation of blood components regional policy and documents are available from http://tinyurl.com/qzk473k
National Comparative Audit (NCA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2013 Audit of the use of anti-D – data collection closed, report pending. 2014 Audit of patient information and consent – audit period finished. 2014 Survey of Red Cell Use – started February 2014. 2015 Audit of PBM in Surgery – planned for April 2015. <p>See: http://hospital.blood.co.uk/safe_use/clinical_audit/National_Comparative/index.asp</p>
JPAC website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Joint United Kingdom (UK) Blood Transfusion and Tissue Transplantation Services Professional Advisory Committee</i> website has been re-launched: www.transfusionguidelines.org.uk/
NBTC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The report of the PBM survey conducted last September has been published and should be available on your trust homepage of the NCA website at: www.nhsbtaudits.co.uk/
HALT-IT trial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The HALT-IT trial is a randomised controlled trial looking at the impact of tranexamic acid on mortality and morbidity in patients with significant gastrointestinal bleeding. Until the evidence is available, it is recommended that tranexamic acid is only given to patients with gastrointestinal bleeding in the context of the HALT-IT trial.
UKCSAG ICS survey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The UK Cell Salvage Action Group is repeating a survey of how Intraoperative Cell Salvage is used in the UK; questionnaires have been sent to nominated Cell Salvage contacts in each trust. The UKCSAG pages on the updated transfusion guidelines (JPAC) website are now live, see: http://www.transfusionguidelines.org.uk/transfusion-practice/uk-cell-salvage-action-group
PPH consensus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Evaluation and management of postpartum hemorrhage: consensus from an international expert panel</i> was published in Transfusion in March of this year; see: http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/trf.12550/abstract
Platelet Supply Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The NHSBT platelet supply project has entered the implementation phase, aiming to reduce apheresis collections from 80% to 60% by April 2016, and looking to resuspend platelet pools in Platelet Additive Solution (PAS) by 2016, followed by apheresis platelets by 2017. There will be a series of communications over the next few months, for both information and action by hospitals, and these need to be disseminated and discussed as widely as possible. Please raise any questions or concerns you may have via your Customer Service team contacts
NHSBT News	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A booklet on awareness of 'Haemolytic Disease of the Newborn' is now available to order on the NHSBT Distribution Hub; contact your TP/HTT to access these. The first issue of the PBM newsletter has been launched and can be accessed at: http://hospital.blood.co.uk/safe_use/patient_blood_management/index.asp NHSBT's PBM team has set up a twitter account, which you can follow @PBM_NHS A series of five articles written by the PBM Team are being published in the Nursing Times over consecutive weeks starting on 3rd September; topics include patient information, safe administration and an overview of PBM, and the key messages within these articles will be of interest to a wide range of staff. <p>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"> Non-Medical Authorisation of Blood Components Course – 6th – 9th October 2014, Colindale London Transfusion Forum and Paediatric Patient Blood Management Event – 17th October 2014, The Great Hall, Camden Centre, London
National and International Events	<p>24th-26th Sept: BBTS Annual Conference, Harrogate; www.bbts.org.uk/annualconference/</p> <p>19th Nov: Patient Blood Management in Clinical Haematology – one day conference, Hilton Metropole NEC, Birmingham; www.b-s-h.org.uk/Courses/739_Patient_mgmt_Nov_14.html</p> <p>20th-21st Nov: RCPATH Symposium 2014 'Advances in Transfusion Medicine', London; www.rcpath.org/meetings/college-conferences</p>

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