

**Confirmed Minutes of Regional Transfusion Team (RTT)
Telecon Meeting
Monday 21 January 2019**

Present:

Dr Charles Baker	(CB)	Royal Stoke University Hospital NHS Trust
Suzy Biggs	(SB)	NHS Blood and Transplant
Dr Falguni Choksey	(FC)	RTC Chair, University Hospital Coventry & Warwick NHS Trust
Maxine Boyd	(MB)	The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust
Mike Herbert	(MHe)	The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust
Cathy Lim	(CL)	NHS Blood and Transplant
Dr Chris Newson	(CN)	Walsall Hospitals NHS Trust
Angela Sherwood	(AS)	Acting Chair - NHS Blood and Transplant
Dr Craig Taylor	(CT)	RTC Vice-Chair, Dudley Group of Hospitals NHS Trust

Apologies:

Gregory Barber	(GB)	Sandwell & West Birmingham Hospitals NHS Trust
Michelle Budd	(MBu)	Royal Orthopaedic Hospital Birmingham Trust
Dr Suzy Morton	(SM)	University Hospital Birmingham/NHS Blood and Transplant
Dr Richard Whitmill	(RW)	The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust

1. Welcome and Apologies

The RTC Acting Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Minutes and Actions from RTT Telecon Meeting – 27 April 2018

RTT Minutes accepted as a true record.

RTC Business meeting minutes (Nov 2018) were accepted as a true record. (Any further comments to be sent to SB)

Actions:

Patient Representative – this has been on the action list for some time now, so the chair will follow this up with CB also has a name he can try and contact and will take up with CB

Action: CN/CB

Attendance at Meetings – SB will continue to log attendance at meetings on an ongoing basis.

Pre-op Survey – MD from Walsall was going to be doing a pre-op survey– this would be a good abstract to submit to BBTS but was not in attendance to discuss with group.

Action: MD

All other actions completed or on the agenda.

3. HTT Workshop – June or July 2019 – tbc

The details for the next HTT Workshop are as follows: -

- Title: tbc
- Dates: Dates agreed for the workshop as 17/18 June or 15/16 July.
- Venue: tbc - SB has checked the diary for rooms at Birmingham New Street (BNS), however fully booked. SB has contacted 2 venues' in central Birmingham, and awaiting reply. Also, Calder's our booking agents', were checking to see what they can come back with (but so far were on the pricey side). CB said he would pass a name from Stafford County Hospital who SB could contact about holding an event there. **Action: CB/SB**
- AS discussed the topics fed into the evaluation from Nov feedback. One suggestion made "limitations and obstacles to access of blood products" another suggestion made from the group 'Challenging requests' . Either could be used for the workshop.

- CN also suggested asking hospitals how they are getting on with the implementation of 'Pre-op Anaemia'. CN reported that they had created the West Midlands Pre-Op/Anaemia Pathway document. This would be a good subject to audit and asked the audit group to add to their agenda for Friday 25 January . **Action: CN/SB/AS/CMT/CL**

4 RTC Conference

Haemoglobinopathies – Thursday 01 November 2018 - Evaluation

RTC Conference and Board meeting held on 01 November 2018 had received great feedback and a copy was attached below for information. Venue had received excellent feedback too, however, it had been quite a distance to travel to Shrewsbury.



Evaluation
Summary.pdf

RTC Conference 2019 – Date/Venue tbc

One idea suggested 'Back to basics' (Title to be agreed).

AS/CL/SB discussed some ideas for a title eg: -

- "Have I got Transfusion News for You"
- "QI – Transfusion World"
- Question-time Transfusion"
- "Mastermind Transfusion"

Topics which could be included:

- MHRA/UCAS
- BREXIT
- Phenol genotyping
- Plasma guidelines
- Increase in Black donors
- Trans Gender
- A pos platelets (emergency)
- CMV?
- MB Young adults
- Transfusion reactions

Action: SB to send out ideas' and list to identify the top 5 titles'

Action: CL to create ideas for a flyer

5. AOB

5 Year strategy for transfusion – CT reported to the group that this was going to be published on 26 March 2019.

FC requested the minutes to be sent out within 2 weeks of meetings.

Action SB

7. Date and Time of Next Meeting

SB to send a doodle planner to arrange the following dates: -

1. RTT meeting for 01 or 08 April to sign off and finalise the RTT agenda (This will be F2F at BNS)
2. Next date for RTC autumn conference in November.

Action: SB