

South Central Regional Transfusion Committee

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 Chair:Anthony Stock /Pushkar Dadarkar.....

HIGHLIGHT REPORT for NBTC

Date	April 2013
Regional Transfusion Team	<p>Membership</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ RTC Chair: ▪ Transfusion Practitioners: x2 ▪ Transfusion laboratory Managers: x2 ▪ NHSBT representation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consultant Haematologist ○ Transfusion Liaison Nurse ○ Customer Service Manager ○ RTC Administrator <p>RTT holds teleconferences 3 times per year: Agenda included: blood stock levels, usage and wastage, planning of future education events, feedback from TP and TLM groups, RTC budget.</p> <p>Highlights for 2012/13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Continue to analyse blood issue data and produce in easy identifiable format for hospitals ▪ Blood issue reports include monthly highlight reports, HTC reports and 'end of year' reports. Good feedback from hospitals about this approach. Ideas for presenting data shared with other regions and some have adopted format. ▪ Designed and completed regional double dose audit of platelets. ▪ Continue to have good attendance at RTC events with excellent evaluations ▪ Produced NCA audit 'one page' tool of Blood Sampling and Labelling audit results which has been shared with other regions ▪ Organised TP development day with support from NHSBT BBT Education Lead. Excellent feedback and has led to reports of enhancement of leadership skills and change management for some TP's
RTC Membership (including RTC attendance)	<p>Membership:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Representation from all regional NHS HTT's ▪ One private hospital ▪ Patient representative ▪ NHSBT representatives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NHSBT consultants ○ Transfusion Liaison Nurse ○ Customer Service Manager ○ RTC administrator

Does the RTC have a patient representative?	Yes																		
RTC Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ RTC meetings which incorporate education symposiums are held 3 times a year▪ Format of meetings: morning education symposium on a focussed theme, followed by afternoon business meeting. Education themes this year have included 'audit' and 'medical use of blood'▪ The afternoon session includes presentation of blood issue data from all regional hospitals, audit planning and reports, policy review, new initiatives and feedback from TP and TLM groups.▪ Presentations about regional blood issue are sent out prior to the meeting to encourage discussion. The aim is to provide a non confrontational forum for further reflection and analysis on practice. Hospital usage data is deannonymised and benchmarked against other hospitals in the region.▪ Recent implementation of RTC 'communication sheet'. HTT's are asked to submit information about HTC activities and issues of concern/discussion prior to RTC meeting. This is especially helpful if HTC chair is not attending meeting.																		
RTC Working Groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The Transfusion Practitioners hold a telecon every 2months and meet four times a year. The TP group sets objectives for the year and produces an annual report. A TP development away day supported by the NHSBT BBT team was held in October last year. The format included tools to help empowerment and leadership initiatives to promote change. Excellent feedback. Current discussions to hold similar event for regional TLM's▪ The Transfusion Laboratory Managers meet three times a year.▪ Following results of NCA Blood Sampling and Labelling audit-proposed small group to be formed to potentially standardise practice across region																		
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Audits/Regional Surveys	NCA Audit participation	South Central	National
	Blood Sampling	90%	93%
	Regional Audit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Designed and completed a Double Dose administration of platelet audit: all hospitals participated. Results indicated inappropriate prophylactic use in haematology patients and inconsistencies in management of haemorrhage in cardiac surgery patients. Presented results at RTC meeting- enthusiastic discussion followed The region is currently developing a multi- regional audit of blood use in liver cirrhosis patients 		
Website	Website reviewed regularly, news page now included.		
Planned Activities for next Reporting Period	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patient Blood Management- planning actions to support the forthcoming PBM directive Double Dose Platelet audit-following discussion of results with their own hospitals, HTC's to report back to RTC and action plan to be developed Introduction of new RTC chair Further TP leadership development planned TLM education/development days Survey of effectiveness of blood issue information sent to HTC's 		
Constraints/concerns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pathology Modernisation and its impact on laboratory services. Many laboratories have been affected by services rationalisation. RTC Meetings and Education days, overall decrease in attendance 16% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Although RTC meetings and Education Symposia increased by 10% and annual meeting 'Transfusion Bites' increased by 24% our Education Day : Medical Use of Blood showed a decrease of 58% compared with a similar event the previous year HTC chair attendance at RTC events remains poor. Impact of financial constraints on Trusts: work pressures of HTT's, attendance at educational events Increase in platelet issue across region NHSBT Customer Service Manager on a long period of sickness absence 		
Administrative support for the RTC	RTC administrator employed for 20hrs/week from November 2009. Provides excellent support for region. Region would not be able to achieve many of its objectives without this resource. Post holder communicates expertly with all members of the HTT and is highly respected and liked by RTC members.		
Other issues	Blood Usage for region: in comparison to 2011/12 RBC have decreased by - 4.68% O neg have increased by + 1.06% Platelets have increased by + 5.48% FFP have decreased by - 5.51% New RTC Chair: Change of RTC Chair to commence Spring 2013. Meeting planned to review objectives		