

The Journey of Blood

Thursday 8th November

Tudor Park Marriott Hotel, Maidstone

Evaluation Form

Your feedback is important to us as it helps us plan and improve future education seminars.

Please tick the relevant boxes using the following criteria:

E = Excellent, **G** = Good, **S** = Satisfactory, **P** = Poor

69 responses

Title	Speaker	E	G	S	P
Blood: A Precious Resource	Sue Hentschel Matt Preston	14	46	6	0
Comments: <i>Good knowledge of presentation</i> <i>Good history, overview of donor collection/transport. New donation chairs Brill!</i> <i>Interesting to learn history of blood donation & how it has changed & why.</i> <i>Good content – not very fluent, but good slides.</i> <i>Informative, but speakers very tied to notes</i> <i>Very clear speaker</i> <i>I am a BMS & have been championing this for many years.</i> <i>I did like the fact that both speakers gave a bit of information – kept it interesting. Enjoyed the history.</i> <i>I would like to have heard about the strict criteria & safety of collecting blood. I</i> <i>Appears some people were unaware of testing & criteria required for donating.</i> <i>Great</i> <i>Enjoyed session</i> <i>Informative, nice background, lots of positives</i>					
The Decision to Transfuse	Dr Megan Rowley	53	15	0	0
Comments: <i>The presentation was brilliant educative. Learned a lot from the case studies and refreshed my memory.</i> <i>Engaging, interesting & fun (I liked the buttons!)</i> <i>Really enjoyed interactive case studies!!</i> <i>Interactive element brilliant. Enjoyed discussion at table.</i> <i>Participation good. Blood products over used, good to know alternatives.</i> <i>Given me more ammunition to challenge medics re transfusion.</i> <i>Very well presented. Interactive questions were informative & thought provoking.</i> <i>Excellent informative scenario presentation.</i> <i>Clear & informative. Well delivered.</i> <i>Interesting case studies.</i> <i>Good use of interactive devices. Opportunity to discuss with colleagues.</i> <i>It was good to hear somebody else's point of view & decision making</i> <i>I enjoyed the scenarios & voting. Nice to be interactive.</i> <i>Enjoyed the case scenarios</i> <i>I liked the thought provoking aspect</i> <i>Case studies provided interaction – great idea for teaching & aids in learning</i> <i>Good to have interactive sessions</i> <i>Very valid & relevant. Participation very useful.</i> <i>Very confident speaker. Use of interactive questions kept everyone focused & interested.</i> <i>As a nurse it is not easy to advise consultants but this lets me know that I am correct with my decisions</i> <i>Really made me think – liked interactive process</i> <i>Interactive – enjoyed session</i> <i>Liked the interactive session using the voting system.</i> <i>Very interactive – useful.</i>					

I enjoyed this session but wasn't sure that the people here would be deciding if transfusion was appropriate.

Consent to Blood Transfusion	Lisa Dallman Simon Goodwin	38	30	1	0
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Comments:

Well presented and lively.
Communication & provision of information always important.
Very interesting presentation particularly where I work in endoscopy. Food for thought for training.
Informative & well presented.
Very well presented
I will do an audit of patient's notes at the hospitals I look after for transfusion.
Liked the joke at the end!
Unbelievable how many patients who have received blood transfusions without having consented! Or even aware of having received a transfusion.
Very relevant
A good refresher & update of information on consent to blood transfusion.
Very current issue. Reassuring to know all areas experiencing same issues.
Good to hear why we should only transfuse when necessary.

Antibodies & Provision of Blood	Leslie Delieu	21	42	6	0
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Comments:

Spoke on valuable decisions and lessons
Applied more to BMS staff than nursing staff.
Will be more aware of adding important information to blood requests & documentation.
Has given me a lot of food for thought!
Well presented. Good content. Good slides.
Too much content for time constraints
Very wordy slides.
Very interesting presentation
Knowledgeable
Keith Blackman case scenario good & informative
Needed more time!
Disorganised material – confused about level of audience competence
Quite basic from BMS point of view
Didn't really go into detail because of time – main reason why I came. Would have loved to hear about panels etc
Would have liked to hear more about antibodies etc, Interesting speaker.
Very informative
More information relating to antibodies would have been useful.
Needed more time for this. I would have liked much more detail.

Changing from Blood Component Transfusions : Patient's Experience	Len Dodson	36	30	3	0
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Comments:

Well presented
Personal experience always an interesting listen – history.
Very interesting presentation, learnt a lot about haemophilia.
A good timeline of progression over the years.
Len taught me at Bromley College 23 years ago. He hasn't lost his touch.
Bit long.
Fascinating overview – historical, current & personal.
Very interesting.
Interesting to see the changes in practice over the years
Found this very interesting – helped to understand patient's point of view.
Interesting from a personal point of view.
A very interesting story
Very interesting & thank you for sharing your life story.
Enjoyed the history & made aware of the changes
Very interesting but did not seem relevant
Learned a lot about this subject. Brilliant!
Informative, light-hearted, understandable.
Extremely interesting

Keeping Track of Blood	David Blackwell	47	19	0	0
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Comments: <i>Very educative and well presented, very lively</i> <i>Very engaging presentation.</i> <i>Very good delivery.</i> <i>A good insight into the working of ECTMS</i> <i>Very interesting presentation</i> <i>Very interesting topic, good vibrant speaker.</i> <i>Pitched perfectly – challenging.</i> <i>Good rapport with the audience</i> <i>I will give him a call & go and look at the system</i> <i>Found this very interesting</i> <i>Good knowledge of subject.</i> <i>Brought humour to the lecture!</i> <i>Confident speaker. Use of comedy worked well.</i> <i>Really useful</i> <i>Amusing but educational.</i> <i>Really informative, would like to know / see more as Trust looking at this.</i>					
Good Transfusion Practice: Getting It Right from Getting It Wrong	Alison Watt	36	28	3	0
Comments: <i>Well presented</i> <i>Very interesting, makes you more aware of what some would feel is 'the obvious'.</i> <i>Good to hear lab's perspective & have an awareness of SHOT guidelines</i> <i>Quite frightening to know what effects error can have to the patients we care for.</i> <i>Good topic, lots of information & case studies very enlightening.</i> <i>Sobering!</i> <i>Always good to hear this type of story so that one takes a step back & rethinks the above.</i> <i>Important to make us aware of checking!! X2 nurse check in an emergency situation?</i> <i>SHOT Report information very interesting.</i> <i>Informative</i> <i>Always good to hear from SHOT – more useful than the Manchester Symposium as presented case studies.</i>					
Case Study on When Not to Transfuse	Liz Brown	41	23	1	0
Comments: <i>Good learning points</i> <i>Sobering!</i> <i>Thought provoking.</i> <i>Clearly presented & easy to follow story – so relevant to nursing practice.</i> <i>Important to consider skill mix & ward environment.</i> <i>Very clear presentation; frightening!</i> <i>Brief, but a good case study & thought provoking</i> <i>Presentation was a little muddled.</i> <i>Interesting, but speaker not very fluent.</i> <i>Makes one realise how easily this could happen on a busy ward if not vigilant</i> <i>Interesting / scary story</i> <i>A good case study to listen to & learn from.</i> <i>Very interesting case study, well presented. Eye opening</i> <i>Having pictures appear on screen & to talk around the pictures keeps the audience focused & entertained</i> <i>Very worrying! Story important part of the day. Very relevant.</i> <i>Similar incidents experienced. How many near miss 'never events' before we hit target!</i> <i>Worrying!</i> <i>A wake up call for everyone.</i>					
Strategies to Minimising Transfusion	Angela Green	39	24	0	0
Comments: <i>Well presented</i> <i>Both aspect were interesting & informative!</i> <i>Very interesting & easy on the eye (Fernando)!</i> <i>Tranexamic acid & Beriplex use highlighted – much to consider.</i> <i>Have more knowledge about products that can be used instead of blood products.</i> <i>Good content. Second half assumed I knew more on topic than I actually do!</i> <i>Angela sped through presentation too quickly, as would like to have taken notes. Enjoyed</i>					

Fernando!

Confident speaker. Presentation flowed nicely.

Enjoyable

Making Blood Conservation Work

Dr Peter Larcombe

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Comments:

Good presentation.

Very fast!

Articulate, interesting & informed!

Excellent. Cell salvage & related issues highlighted as with own patient blood use.

Interesting & informative presentation – know more about cell salvage now.

Speaks too fast!

Difficult to hear.

Enjoyed.

Very knowledgeable. Would have liked more time to listen & digest what was said. However, good agenda & information given was appropriate for all levels.

Very interesting. Good to see from another perspective.

Interesting to get a consultant's view.

Excellent speaker. Well researched, new ideas for the future

Cell salvage very interesting

Evidence based – very interested

Some useful points raised on varying perspectives considering both advantages & disadvantages of alternatives to transfusion. Highlights need for better pre-op prep!

Patient Blood Management

Malcolm Robinson

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Comments:

Imparted more knowledge, well presented

Passionate about his role & subject matter.

Excellent. Followed on well from previous – encouraged to look at related research.

Interesting to find out how many units were inappropriately used in the hospital that I work in.

Interesting topic & good to hear what other countries are doing.

Good sense of humour. Love the bling!

Very good shared experiences from the coal face

Firm & concise

Enthusiastic speaker

Totally agree 'we need to have the patient at centre of everything that we do'

Excellent, lots of ideas to take away & hopefully introduce in my own hospital.

Informative

Key messages

	E	G	S	P
How well did you feel the seminar met your objectives?	41	22	2	0
Overall, you would you rate the conference?	48	13	1	0
How would you rate the venue – facilities, access, food etc?	50	15	3	0
How would you rate the administrative arrangements?	47	17	1	0

Please state what in particular you liked about the conference:

Most of the presentations

Very informative – all of it.

Range of people here, speakers & delegates. Good to see a mix of clinical & lab staff learning from each other.

Really enjoyed all the speakers. Found all aspects interesting & informative – thank you

Good selection of practical presentations

Well organised, caught up when ran over. Good coverage of wide interesting topics. Sessions right length of time.

Well timed provision of information – just enough to keep interest.

Each session was not too long & contained enough information to encourage me to do further reading.

Variety of content, venue accessibility & parking.

It was what I hoped it would be. At a level that I can go back to my workplace & disseminate the information. Very positive & the best study day for blood I have been to! Thank you.

Talk short, kept attention. Enjoyed the case studies, especially interactive sessions.

Scenario section.

Venue & keeping to time.

I think it would benefit from being more focussed on one or two particular aspects. I felt it too general with not enough depth.

An improved understanding of the TP role.

Varied – lots of speakers involved.

Well planned programme & interesting in all aspects.

Lots of delegates from different backgrounds.

Ease of access to conference

Enjoyed case histories relating to topic

The variety of speakers & scenarios

Particularly enjoyed the case studies, but on the whole, the conference covered most areas of interest.

Lots of information about a broad subject. I felt better informed by attending this conference

The venue & amenities & food! Interactive lectures.

The organisation was excellent

I enjoyed the fact that the talks were directed at a wide level of audience, not only BMS & doctors.

Electronic case studies

Varied speakers from different disciplines

Medical side of blood transfusion always interesting. Enjoyed the strategies to minimise Tx especially finding out about tranexamic acid

Good mix of clinicians

Good quality papers – subjects well integrated. Nice balance of clinical cases. Excellent barcode vein to vein system.

Dr Megan Rowley very interactive

All case studies, wow wow wow..

The conference covered a wide range of interesting topics & case studies

The positivity!

Fantastic attendance (mixed)

Networking, new ideas / initiatives, the future, interactive case scenarios

Well researched topics & presenters

Motivated speakers

The 'passion' in which the speakers have & convey the messages about transfusion

Wide range of practitioners

The diversity of clinical information & areas covered.

Range of input from series of varied speakers

Great mixture of presentations. Best education day I have attended.

Relaxed & varied. Food good.

Excellent venue, easy access.

Varied, included good perspectives from varied disciplines. Nice to have a study day with something different!

The sound quality was really good unlike some events I have been to.

Please state what (if anything) you disliked:

Applies to all healthcare staff but some areas more technical & directed at BMS staff.

Nothing!

Nothing!

Nothing!

Just general comments: a stage might be useful. From the back of the room it was difficult to see, & maybe personal microphones – minor problems. Thought excellent overall.

The seating in relation to the speaker. What about standing in the middle with seating around in a circle.

Need to put more lively lectures on after lunch!

Nil

Not enough toilets

Food

Some repetition

It was aimed more at saving money instead of lab on hand work towards the later part of the conference.

Nothing

Distance

Nothing – all good

Food. Venue rates somewhere between satisfactory & poor

Nothing!

Possibly interactive session. Day long when working full time.

I enjoyed it all.

Would you recommend a similar event to a colleague:

Yes:

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No

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Please state your role (TP, BMS, Nurse etc):

Cons: 3 Nurse:26 BMS: 21 TP: 11 Other: 1 (path network manager)
Not stated: 7

Any other comments:

Lots of case studies which made it very interesting and relevant but some case studies from NHSBT would've been interesting to show more of NHSBT work.

Good education.

Will encourage further research, will challenge re appropriateness of blood transfusions in my role as transfusion advocate.

A very interesting & informative day which has certainly increased my knowledge.

Email out links to attendees to presentations. Add acronyms within presentations to acronym list

Could the speaker stand in the middle closer to the tables, not way back in the corner!

I have really enjoyed this seminar & found all of the topics thought provoking. Thank you!!

Difficult to see some slides because of size of room

Lack of information of the process from the start i.e. devices on wards

Would like to have more information about blood products, it was all geared to not transfusing

Well scheduled & coordinated

Brilliant day & venue.

Learnt a lot.

Really good day – useful & varied information.

Please share the slides. They will be really useful for me to use.

Needs registering with RCPhys – can it be used as part of mandatory training

Are there any topics you would like to see covered at future RTC education events?

Very interesting but very heavily weighted towards transfusion to patients – would've liked more information re blood as a product, i.e. more relevant to NHSBT; fractionation of factor VIII was mentioned in the haemophilia section and history of was very interesting.

Transfusion/coagulopathy in ITU setting.

More on transfusion guidelines

Perhaps about testing blood units for HIV (In S Africa we have 20 units tested per time)i.e. blood taken from each unit pooled & that specimen tested. Quite unsatisfactory. Things may have changed in the last 10 years.

Dangers of blood post transfusion when there are no compatibility problems

How to improve HTC attendance

Antibody panels along the lines of Dr Megan Rowley interactive questions etc

Junior doctor perspective / experience of transfusion

Include key clinicians & get open discussions. Practicing / ward doctors

Possibly a lab visit & hospital tour of a unit (or film of same)

More of these varied perspectives, interactive sessions.

Blood groups & antibodies. TEG – practical advice. PATIENT BLOOD MANAGEMENT.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this evaluation form.

Please hand in before leaving or return to: [Mary Sandillon, RTC Administrator](#)
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