UK Red Alert Plans Meeting

Monday, 10 July 2023 (15:00 – 16:00) via MS Teams FINAL MINUTES

Attended

- Fateha Chowdhury (NHSBT) (FC) Chair
- Lise Estcourt (NHŚBT) (LE)
- Edwin Massey (WBS) (EM)
- Katie Hands (SNBTS) (KH)
- Mike Murphy (NHSBT) (MM)
- Sue Katic (NHSBT) (SK) Minutes

Apologies

- Kathryn Maguire (NIBTS) (KM)

	Minutes
1	Welcome
	FC - no feedback received regarding minutes of previous meeting on 5 April 2023 - accepted as final
2	Best Practice Paper
	FC had circulated the paper to the group for further input. MM and KM had returned paper with changes. LE and EM will edit and make changes to the version of paper circulated by KH on 10 July and then return to FC.
	 Actions: LE to return paper to FC by 11 July (post meeting note – done) EM will edit and return by 13 July FC will then tidy up and re-circulate a final version for comment
3	NBTC blood indications app
	LE will ask Anne Davidson about the funding and resource for the App. It has been funded solely by NHSBT but currently is not being funded for further development.
	Discussion on whether this App could be funded by the four nations and could therefore apply to JPAC for funding rather than just NHSBT. Also discussed App Alert uptake during the recent blood shortages and agreed it would be good to have this information included in the best practice paper.
	Actions:
	 LE will email Anne Davidson re current App funding EM will check on App uptakes during the recent UK alerts

4 AOB

FC shared a paper from the Department of Health and Social Care of an SOP being developed for Bloodstocks. LE said this is mainly for NHSBT and what to do if a shortage in England, what the government should be doing if there is another blood shortage. This is a second draft version. FC asked if relevant for the other Nations and it was agreed it would be useful to see.

Action:

- FC to circulate the paper, send any comments to FC by 14 July KH confirmed post meeting equivalent document doesn't exist in Scotland. Will discuss with colleagues as to whether to suggest an equivalent document to Scottish Government.

5 Next meeting:

Monday, 31 July at 4pm