

Yorkshire & The Humber Regional Transfusion Committee

Confirmed Minutes of Regional Transfusion Team Meeting (Y&H - RTT)

Thursday 11th October 2012 10:00 – 11:00

Teleconference

Present :

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| • Youssef Sorour (YS) | Consultant Haematologist | Doncaster |
| • Anne Davidson (AD) | Transfusion Liaison Nurse | NHSBT |
| • Caryn Van Der Riet (CR) | Transfusion Practitioner | Hull & East Yorks |
| • Stephen Shaw (SSh) | Transfusion Practitioner | Mid Yorkshire Trust |
| • Gary Steel (GS) | Transfusion Lab Manager | Rotherham General Hospital |
| • Sue Smith (SS) | Consultant Anaesthetist | York Hospital |
| • Odette Colgrave (OC) | RTC Administrator | NHSBT |

Apologies:

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| • Ruth Harding (RH) | Transfusion Practitioner | Barnsley District |
| • David Gibson (DG) | Lead Neonatologist | Mid Yorkshire Trust |

1. Welcome & Apologies

YS welcomed all to his first RTT meeting and although YS doesn't know everyone he will be looking forward to meeting the team as the new RTC Chair. Apologies were noted.

2. Minutes of the last RTT Meeting held on 2nd May 2012 and matters arising

The circulated Minutes (Paper 1) were accepted as a true record and will be placed on the website as "Confirmed".

Action Points:

AD confirmed Carol Blears is now on the action group in respect of NPSA safer practice notice.

AD confirmed DG has now joined the group and wondered if Dr A Saleh would be interested. The new Consultant Haematologist, Dr Marina Karakantza who has replaced Dr Derek Norfolk will also be invited to join.

Action: AD will chase TI for a copy of the patient questionnaire.

3. Y&H RTC Budget

3.1 Report and review of commitments (*Paper 2*)

OC confirmed amount of sponsorship received and expenditure to date. Further funds to be used for:

- RTC Meeting 07.11.2012

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- Quality Audit Workshop 26.11.2012
- Patient Blood Management event 25.04.2013

4. Update from RTC Chairs and NBTC Meetings – 24.09.2012 (*Paper 3*)

YS confirmed he was unable to attend this meeting due to short notice of being elected just prior to this. Therefore the report below is from the East Midlands RTC Chair for perusal.



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SSh added that Mid Yorkshire Trust is no longer using FFP and only use Octaplas.

AD confirmed the Patient ID campaign – “Do you know who I am?” has been launched this week and OC will circulate the link for resources / posters / leaflets etc to be used in all hospitals.

GS confirmed that he attended the National Laboratory Managers Meeting and the key point discussed in length was pathology modernisation, quality of staff and the new transport boxes. The next meeting is scheduled for early 2013 and GS is hoping to attend.

AD confirmed all TP's now have the 'Framework for Development' document and the course that is held at Newcastle maybe rolled out nationally.

AIM II Trial – 4 trusts in the UK are participating and the key purpose of this trial is to see “where blood is going”.

SaBTO have advised there are no requirements for written consent, however there is a current debate around elective surgery that do not need to be transfused.

HTC Chair survey – AD confirmed poor response from the Y&H region. YS confirmed the main issues appear to be lack of attendance to RTC meetings.

AD advised there is an extensive liver audit being carried out by Simon Stanworth, South Central RTC. There are results available following the South West RTC audit on platelets.

OC will circulate details of the Trust Transfusion Lead.

Action: OC to circulate link for Patient ID campaign
OC to circulate details of the Trust Transfusion Lead

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5. Annual Work Programme

5.1 Education Activities

- **RTC Annual Study Day 25/10/2012 - Update**

Blood and Guts – 25th October 2012, Pinderfields Hospital

This event is now fully booked, 150 delegates. All speakers confirmed and have also liaised with each other to prevent duplication. YS to chair the am session and SS to chair the pm session.

SSh will oversee all the IT and presentations on the day. The rest of the RTT may wish to help with the registration desk if able to come early.

- **RTC Education Forum – 07.11.2012**

Two presentations on the following:

Sp-ICE – Gordon Mellor

BCSH Guidelines on pre-transfusion compatibility procedures in blood transfusion laboratories – Mark Williams, NHSBT

- **Quality Audit Training Workshop**

This will be hosted by Edwin Lindsay. There are 26 delegates registered.

- **Patient Blood Management - 25.04.2013**

This is being held at 'The Source' Sheffield jointly with the East Midlands RTC. This is to mirror the recent event held in London where Sir Bruce Keogh and Linda Hamlyn attended. TI attending this on behalf of our region.

The key audience will be medical directors and management leads, aiming for 60 delegates. Dr Dafydd Thomas has already agreed to present.

5.2 Regional projects

- **Y&H Competencies Project**

This has now been rolled out and the benefits will not be seen until August 2013 when the junior doctor's rotate to different trusts.

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- **Nurse authorisation regional project**

All the documents have been ratified and are on the website. Trusts can use these templates and add their own logos. There are 3 delegates registered on the North West RTC course in November 2012.

5.3 Audit Working Group

AD - There are plans to roll out a massive haemorrhage audit in our region in January 2013. The final draft of the audit proforma is underway along with all the appropriate letters to the Caldicott Guardians etc.

East Midlands are also keen to roll out this audit for comparison data.

5.4 Platelet action group (Paper 4)

AD confirmed this is a re-occurring theme and being brought up in various meetings and action groups.

SSh confirmed Mid Yorkshire Trust are doing their own local audit and will be aiming to do this every 12 months. They are using the NCA tool as their base for their audit proforma.

AD suggested asking all HTC's / hospitals what action plans they have in place and feel that this would be more beneficial than having a platelet action group.

YS advised Doncaster may look again to re-audit platelets.

Action: OC to ask for platelet action plans on the HTC report sent prior to RTC

6. Blood Conservation Lead

AD confirmed this is a requirement from the NBTC and all trust really should have one. If the Y&H have a blood conservation lead this person should then ideally be the chair of a sub group from the RTC with members who are interested in cell salvage etc.

SS added that she is unable to take on this role and there is nobody else at York. YS has a colleague at Doncaster but he is very much likely to decline due to work pressures.

Action: YS to liaise with colleague for BC lead

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7. Future RTT / RTC meetings

RTT – Feb 2013 (Teleconference)
 RTC – May 2013
 RTT – Sept 2013 (Teleconference)
 RTC – Nov 2013

Action: YS to seek suitable rooms at DRI for May 2013

8. AOB

None.

9. Date & Time of next meeting

The next RTT meeting will be on Wednesday 7th November 2012, Leeds NHSBT
 11:00 – 12:30 Lecture Theatre

RTT – Action list 11th October 2012

Item No	Action	By Whom	Completion
2	Chase TI for a copy of the patient questionnaire	AD	End Oct
4	To circulate link for Patient ID campaign	OC	End Oct
	To circulate details of the Trust Transfusion Lead	OC	End Oct
5.4	To ask for platelet action plans on the HTC report sent prior to RTC	OC	End Oct
6	To liaise with colleague for BC lead	YS	End Oct
7	To seek suitable rooms at DRI for May 2013	YS	End Oct