

Yorkshire & The Humber Regional Transfusion Committee

Confirmed Minutes of Regional Transfusion Team Meeting (Y&H - RTT) Wednesday 7th November 2012 11:00 – 12:30

Lecture Theatre, Leeds NHSBT

Present :

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| • Youssef Sorour | YS | Doncaster & Bassetlaw Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust |
| • Ruth Harding | RH | Barnsley Hospital NHS Foundation Trust |
| • Robert Elshaw | RE | Hull & East Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust |
| • Caryn Van Der Riet | CR | Hull & East Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust |
| • Sue Smith | SS | York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust |
| • Anne Davidson | AD | NHSBT |
| • Odette Colgrave | OC | NHSBT |

Apologies:

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| • David Gibson | DG | Mid Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust |
| • Stephen Shaw | SSh | Mid Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust |
| • Gary Steel | GS | The Rotherham NHS Foundation 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".

OC to amend hospitals to trusts on list of attendees.

3. Y&H RTC Budget

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

OC went through the budget report and advised we have received £1,117 of income through sponsorship and the expenditure so far has been £2,693. Therefore we have £2,402 to spend. This will be going towards the next annual symposium 2013; RTC meetings and the Patient Blood Management event in April 2013.

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4. Regional Educational Activities

4.1 Educational Activities

- **RTC Annual Study Day 25/10/2012 – Feedback**

Blood and Guts – 25th October 2012, Pinderfields Hospital

The evaluations were very good and unfortunately the key speaker was unwell and was unable to attend on the day. There were a few teething problems regarding coffee/tea etc, milk ran out and the hot flasks had to be replenished. The catering went very well. The auditorium was very comfortable and the audio visual was very good, however we needed extra roving microphones for the questions after each speaker. There were no IT support, or nominated person.

AD asked if everyone was happy to use this venue again for 2013 and everyone agreed.

The location was central, easy to find off the motorway. Car parking was easy and cost £6.50 for the whole day. 14 delegates did not show on the day and discussions were made whether to send an email to advise regarding the cost implications of not turning up.

There were some comments made regarding the transfusion element of the day, however AD argued that 50% of the audience were new delegates. AD thought we had a good balance and thanked SS for finding the majority of the speakers for the day.

AD asked for any ideas / topics for next year. Perhaps to organise a paediatric / neonates education day for midwives etc. Will be liaising with Dr David Gibson for advice on speakers. Ad to see to book the venue for October 2013.

Action: AD/OC to book venue for October 2013
All to suggest ideas / topics for next symposium

- **Quality Audit Training Workshop – 26/11/2012, Leeds NHSBT**

There are 26 delegates registered for this event and there are a few spaces left. Edwin Lindsay will facilitate the whole day. RE advised now that he works at Hull will see if there are laboratory staff who are interested to attend.

- **Patient Blood Management – 25/04/2013, The Source, Sheffield**

AD advised we are holding this event along with the East Midlands region. The audience to be invited will be risk managers; chief medical directors; chief nurses and HTC Chairs. We already have some high profile speakers on the programme. An invitation will be sent out shortly and the TP's will be copied in. We are currently trying to obtain an endorsement from Sir Bruce Keogh to attract attendance.

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4.2 Audit Working Group update (Paper 3)

The massive haemorrhage audit is hoping to be rolled out in January 2013. All letters will be sent to the HTC Chairs; caldicott guardians; laboratory managers etc very shortly. Letter to the caldicott guardians will require them to sign and return a form. However if they do not return this we have indicated that this will mean that they are happy to participate in the audit.

The proforma will be shared at the next TP meeting.

4.3 Platelet Action Group

RE advised last year the NBTC launched an initiative regarding the inappropriate use of platelets. As a region we were supposed to set up an action group to look at this more closely, however AD advised that Y&H's figures illustrated that we only increased our usage by 0.5% and is below the national average of 8% during 2012.

Action: OC to write to all HTC Chairs to see what action plans, if any, have they set up regarding the use of platelets.

5. Blood Conservation Lead

YS asked around the table who had cell salvage machines. RE advised when working at North Lincs & Goole the Jehovah's Witnesses had purchased their machine. However it proved to be very difficult to use the machine due to lack of training.

RH's trust wanted to buy one for Obstetrics.

CR use their machine very widely at Hull in obstetrics; vascular and orthopaedics. No actual lead but all theatre staff are trained.

SS advised there are 2 machines at York.

YS advised will liaise with one of his colleagues at DRI to see if they are interested in taking up the blood conservation lead for the Y&H region. It was unanimous that the lead should not be a TP but a clinician; anaesthetist or surgeon etc.

Action: YS to liaise with Peter Tan re blood conservation lead.

6. Future RTT / RTC meetings

RTT – Wednesday 27th Feb 2013 (Teleconference) @ 14.00

RTT / RTC – Wednesday 1st May 2013 – Leeds NHSBT (from 11 – 16:30)

RTT – Wednesday 11th Sept 2013 (Teleconference) @ 14.00

RTT / RTC – Wednesday 6th Nov 2013 – Venue TBC (from 11 – 16:30)

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8. AOB

YS asked RE if he could summarise the laboratory managers meeting held in London on behalf of GS.

The meeting finished early so topics / ideas were discussed for the annual symposium and are shown below:

Massive Haemorrhage
 Anti-D
 Obstetrics
 Cell Salvage
 Basic Serology
 CMV debate
 Sickle Cell
 HDN

9. Date & Time of next meeting

The next RTT meeting will be on Wednesday 27th Feb 2013 (Teleconference) @ 14.00

RTT – Action list 7th November 2012

Item No	Action	By Whom	Completion
4.1	To book venue for October 2013	AD/OC	End Dec 2012
	To suggest ideas / topics for next symposium	All	End Dec 2012
4.3	To write to all HTC Chairs to see what action plans, if any, have they set up regarding the use of platelets	OC	End Dec 2012
5	To liaise with Peter Tan re blood conservation lead.	YS	End Dec 2012