North East & Yorkshire RTC Project Plan					
Project	Event details	Description	Development	Status	Lead
RTC meeting	Three meetings per yearVenue: Virtual	 Education section followed by RTC business meeting The overall objective of the Regional Transfusion Committees (RTCs) is to support the activities of Hospital Transfusion Committees, thus enabling the National Transfusion Blood Committee to achieve its aims. 	Development of programme for future meetings in progress.	Ongoing	Ric Procter
RTC Annual Education Day 2024	 Haemoglobinopathies 13:00 – 16:00 Wednesday 09 October 2024 Team's meeting 		Invite RTC members to form an education working group to take this forward.	Under	Ric Procter
Transfusion bulletin	• N/A	To share information on safety alerts and best practice	Request for items to for inclusion to be circulated	Under development	Charlotte
Non Medical Authorisation Courses	Four events per yearVenue: Virtual	 The events will give you an understanding of the criteria and knowledge needed to authorise a blood component correctly The day is intended for qualified nurses and Advanced Care Practitioners only. 	 Events are well evaluated Yearly review of content 	Ongoing	Tina Ivel

Transfusion IT group	• N/A	Aims to improve transfusion safety through improved IT systems and practices. Informal group – no minutes, question and answer section for each meeting.	Date of next event to be confirmed.	Ongoing	Charlotte Lonahorn
Recruitment of Deputy RTC chair	• N/A	Request expressions of interest via RTC membership	Email RTC members for expressions of interest.	Under development	Ric Procter
Transfusion Practitioner Group	 Four meetings per year Venue: 3 Virtual, one face to face. 	 The TPs in hospitals served by the region hold regular meetings to: Provide a forum for group members to discuss items of interest and to provide networking opportunities. Provide an educational forum for case studies, shared learning and professional development. Provide an opportunity for hospitals receiving services from Newcastle and Barnsley Centres to feed back to NHSBT on areas for improvement and development. 	Development of programme for future meetings in progress.	Ongoing	Michelle Lake / Megan Wrightson
Cell Salvage	• N/A	Build a registry of cell salvage activity to evidence the great PBM work going on. The following information requested from Trusts via HTC report Do you have a cell salvage lead? If yes, please give contact details Do you know what cell salvage activity your trust undertakes? Do you have local audit data to show PBM/blood conservation impact?	 Updates received via RTC meeting HTC reports Formal plan for what data needs collected and how it is to be used will be steered by the national group Volunteers from previous HTC reports regarding cell salvage working group to be contacted to form a working group. 	Ongoing	Ric Procter

Blood Centre User Group meeting - Barnsley	 Three meetings per year Venue: Virtual 	 The users of NHSBT Barnsley Centre hold regular meetings to: Provide a forum for group members to discuss items of interest and to provide networking opportunities. Provide an educational forum for case studies, shared learning and professional development of biomedical scientists. Provide an opportunity for hospitals receiving services from the Barnsley Centre to feed back to NHSBT on areas for improvement and development. 	Development of programme for future meetings in progress.	Ongoing	Rachel Allan
Blood Centre User Group meeting - Newcastle	Three meetings per year Venue: Lecture Theatre, Newcastle Blood Centre	 The users of NHSBT Newcastle Centre hold regular meetings to: Provide a forum for group members to discuss items of interest and to provide networking opportunities. Provide an educational forum for case studies, shared learning and professional development of biomedical scientists. Provide an opportunity for hospitals receiving services from the Newcastle Centre to feed back to NHSBT on areas for improvement and development. 	Development of programme for future meetings in progress.	Ongoing	Karen Ward
Reflection poll for RTC members.	Forms poll	The survey focuses on the format of future RTC Meetings, plus output, following two years since the merger of the North East and Yorkshire & The Humber RTC regions.	Results reviewed at April RTT meeting	Complete	Ric Procter
Transfusion Reactions after patients leave the hospital survey	Snap Survey	Look into the gaps in information we provide to patients about their transfusions and how to report any transfusion reactions they may have.	•	Under development	Charlotte Longhorn / Marina Karakantza

Improve engagement with Pathology Network Leads	• N/A	Consider requesting a representative from the Pathology Networks to join the RTC meeting to provide an updates.	•	Under development	Ric Procter
Cost comparison of IV iron v transfusion.	• N/A	For evidence if Trusts are questioned in regard to the use and cost of using IV iron.	•	Under development	To be confirmed