



# A day in the life of a Band 7 BMS Transfusion Practitioner

# Hayley

Profession: BMS

Banding: 7

Job Title: Lead Transfusion  
Practitioner

Team of 8

Line Manger: BT DSM

Hospital size: 1700 beds  
Red Cells/year: 2023/4  
RBC 17612 –PLT 3820

# Amanda

Profession: BMS

Banding: 7

Job Title: Specialist Practitioner Of  
Transfusion

Lone: Half time 0.5 WTE

Line Manager: Matron for Surgery  
and Critical Care

Hospital size: 200 beds  
Red Cells/year: 2023/4  
RBC 1782 - PLT 1008

# Nottingham University Hospital NHS Trust

The Trust has a budget of £1.589 billion, 166 wards and 1,700 beds across 3 main sites:

- Queen's Medical Centre (Acute Hospital) - Emergency Department, Major Trauma Centre, the Nottingham Children's Hospital, Vascular, Neurology, Stroke are based. Large maternity units on both sites.
- Nottingham City Hospital - Cancer , adult Haematology, Cardiac, Orthopaedics, Renal
- Ropewalk House – Audiology & Implant programme, Breast Screening, Diabetic Eye Clinic,
- Supply 3 Private Hospitals with blood components

- Dedicated children's hospital.
- Wards and departments include:
  - 6 wards (Inc haem/onc, burns, surgery, ortho, neurosciences, medical)
  - AAU
  - PICU, HDU
  - Neonatal Surgical unit
  - TAU/PACU
  - Medical Daycare
  - ED/Trauma
  - Theatres
  - OPD (phlebotomy staff)
  - CAMHS
- We deliver care to patients from all over the UK
- 4000+ staff
- All BT mandatory training 2 yearly.

Those in red require BT mandatory training and updates 2 yearly

**10,214**

Inpatients were admitted on to one of our wards for a total of 42,483 nights

**188,831**

Patients attended an outpatient appointment, either face-to-face or virtually.



**26,125**

Mental Health (MH) Community Contacts

**5,155**

MH Inpatients (Bed days)

**65,348**

Patients treated in our Emergency Department

(89.33% were seen inside the target four hours!)



**1,908**

Transfers made by Embrace - including 20 helicopter and 7 fixed wing transfers

**114,883**

Contacts made by our Community colleagues and services



1 Public Engagement Award at the 2022 Sustainability Partnership Awards



**4,007**

Staff helping families

**895**

Overnight stays at Ryegate House

17%



**341**

Active research studies



**150** Volunteers



**1,544** patients, staff and healthy volunteers participating in research



# Hayley's Teams Duties

- Managing TP team: 2 x band 6; 1 x band 5; 4 x band 2
- Designing and providing training for BT
- Traceability – pen and paper system
- Ensure traceability of blood that goes out on the Air Ambulance – HM54
- Monitor wastage within the Trust – Datix completed for each wastage.
- Reviewing Datix Incidents Mon-Fri – reporting on to SABRE/SHOT
- Arranging and attending meetings
- Writing of SOPs, policies and guidelines
- Audits

# Amanda's Duties

- Check in with HTC admin person
- Updating/monitoring internal training platforms
- Team's inductions
- Traceability
- Reporting (SHOT/DATIX/Q-Pulse) and investigate incidents/wastage as necessary.
- Prep and reports for HTT/HTC/QC ++
- HTT chair
- Document update
- Attending L&OD, patient safety meetings, rapid review etc..
- Providing education sessions for all staff
- Blood runners
- Gap analysis
- Answering loads of emails

# Similarities

Paper traceability

Training: mainly e-learning.

Assessments for assessors.

Audits

Meetings HTT/HTC/RTC

Meetings trust

Document control Trust and lab

Incident investigation/reporting

# Differences

Bigger team vs part timer

No backup/holiday cover  
(AB)

Fully remote (AB)



Thank you for  
listening to  
Hayley  
and  
Amanda



Any questions?