

South East Regional Transfusion Committee

South East Regional Transfusion Team Rescheduled Wednesday 27 July 2022 (13:00 – 14:00)

| Attendees | |
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| Howard Wakeling (HW) | Kerry Dowling (KD) |
| Fatts Chowdhury (FC) | Kim East (KE) |
| Tanya Hawkins (TH) | Susan Mitchell (SM) |
| Jonathan Ricks (JR) | Anwen Davies (AD) |
| Emily White (EW) | Ruth O'Donnell (RO'D) |
| Rhian Edwards (RE) | Emma O'Donovan (EO'D) |
| Richard Whitmore (RW) | Frances Moll (FM) (Minutes) |
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| Apologies | |
| Lisa March | Zoe Sammut |
| Nelson Johnson | Simon Stanworth |
| Simon Rang | Shabana Tufail |

| | MINUTES | ACTION |
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| 1300 | Welcome & Apologies – HW slightly delayed KD welcomed everyone and started the meeting focussing on the Education Event Planning item – minuted below. | |
| | Minutes of meeting held on Monday 4 April 2022 ● The minutes were approved, with no matters arising. | |
| | Recent Education Events: | |
| | Feedback Summary for RTC Education Event– The Patient Experience Tuesday 4 May 2022 and Business Meeting (previously circulated). It was agreed this had been a good meeting, 82 attendees, with 53 providing feedback, which was very positive. Very good patient presenter and thank you to KD for stepping in when a presenter had to pull-out. London and South East Trauma & Haematology Group - Trauma & Coagulopathy Education Event – 19 July 2022. There were 153 participants at this event, which was also very well received. | |
| | Education Event Planning: | |
| | Programme and Formats to be agreed – it was agreed all the events this year should be virtual. The results of a survey (albeit a low response) show most prefer virtual meetings; it was acknowledged that a hybrid meeting would require technical assistance, for consideration in future subject to costs. The distance to travel was not a good use of time, particularly across the geographical size of the South East region (include in the RTC Chair's report for NBTC). The format would be reviewed again for 2023, when alternatives might be considered. | HW |
| | TP/TLM joint meeting – Thursday 29 September The following suggestions were put forward: | |
| | TLM item - SM agreed to give a presentation on Stock Sharing, within three sites in Kent, this could also include a section on Usage/Wastage – information from the BSMS team which RW agreed to present. (NB: no one available from BSMS on the 29th). | SM/RW |
| | TP item - MH Drills— JC to be approached reference audit results following major changes they have made to their haemorrhage packs. Also, possible representatives to be suggested by KD reference MH pack system. | KD |
| | RE agreed to give an update on the Component development for plasma project she has been working on. | RE |

| Results of the O Pos to Bleeding Males Survey – KD and working group. | KD/working group |
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| Longer discussion time to be given for ideas for the Workplan for 2023 It was agreed the Hospital and NHSBT Updates could be removed – unless there was something specific to be included. | |
| FM to put together a draft programme. Jo Lawrence and KD to co-chair. Chairing will then rotate annually. | FM |
| The NCA QS 138 regional results and QS138 Audit Tool update should be discussed at a standalone meeting – future date to be agreed. | |
| UKTLC to be held for a future meeting. | |
| Transfusion Bites – Tuesday 11 October 2022 The short 15-minute case studies were thought to be a great way to learn.FM to ask for presentations of case studies from hospitals – including recent research, change to policy/planning etc. AD suggested a quiz at the end to link to the new BSH MH Guidelines and the DOAC Survey. | FM |
| BMS Study days – November, tbc It was agreed this would be discussed between KD and the CSMs and support is required from the RCI – RE to check the availability of RCI representatives for November | RE |
| Blood Stocks - FC gave an update on the Stock situation. We are currently in pre-amber stage. Arisen due in part to the pandemic, but also; long term sickness; donor retention; donor behaviour – the situation is not unique to the UK. The Medical Directors and Chief Executives have been made aware of the situation. There are regular meetings to review the situation and send out updates. People need to think and plan logically, think about substitutions, so they are ready should we go into Amber. Stock sharing should be considered to minimise wastage. There is a donor app, which provides the most recent updates, and makes a better donor experience for booking slots. NHSBT staff are being asked to volunteer to help meet and greet donors. | |
| We are asking people to practice best patient blood management, think about alternatives, ensure they have lots of iron and tranexamic acid, PC fibrinogen concentrates, so they can use these alternatives if we do run into serious problems. | ALL |
| NHSBT & PBM Update – it was agreed these would be circulated with the minutes. | FM |
| Budget (2022/2023) - Budgets allocated to realigned RTC regions | |
| RTC Work Plan 2022 – update – on track – to be circulated with the minutes | FM |
| Working Groups | |
| O Pos for Bleeding Males (meeting Wednesday 22 June) – on September TP/TLM agenda QS 138 — validation in progress, initial testing being carried out in August with the aim to pilot in October. | |
| Audit on Reversal of DOACs and Vitamin K Antagonists in Trauma Related Bleeding - closed 30 June – presentation given at July 19 event. FC is preparing a formalised report to be circulated once completed. Any gaps will be highlighted so knowledge can be improved. | |
| Group Updates | |
| TPG Update – (meeting Thursday 23 June) – JR – there were some good case studies given – potential topics for Transfusion Bites. TLM (Oxford & Southampton) / TADG meetings - nothing to add London & South-East Trauma and Haematology Group – nothing to add | |
| NCA Audits - for information only | |
| Launched May 3 – Upper GI Bleeds – Gastroenterologists Launched June 15 – PBM in Paediatrics pre-op – Paediatric Anaesthetists | |

| | September – Sample Labelling – Transfusion Practitioners – Hospitals have been invited to sign up for the audit. | |
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| | AOB - for information only Welcome to Rhian Edwards, the new Customer Services Manager for Southampton centre, who replaces Emma Taylor BSH MH Guidelines - (published 15 June 2022) CPOC Guidelines - to be published September | |
| 1400 | Next Meeting: Tues/Wed/Thurs – after October 8 (options to be circulated) | FM |