North East & Yorkshire Regional Transfusion Practitioner Group Meeting

Minutes

1pm – 4pm 27 February 2024 - Teams meeting

**Present**

* Bushra Amin (BA) Sheffield Teaching Hospitals
* Amanda Baxter (ABax) Sheffield Children’s
* Lucy Bevan (LB) Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals
* Michelle Cairns (MC) County Durham & Darlington
* Carolyn Carveth-Marshall (CCM) South Tees Hospitals
* Debbie Cox (DC) North Tees and Hartlepool
* Chris Elliott (CE) Business Development and Transformation, NHSBT
* Jay Faulkner (JF) Leeds Teaching Hospitals
* Catrina Ivel (CI) York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals
* Juliet James (JJ) County Durham & Darlington
* Emma Johnson-Kelly (EJK) Northern Lincolnshire and Goole
* Michelle Lake (ML) - **Chair** Calderdale and Huddersfield
* Charlotte Longhorn (CL) NHSBT
* Caroline Mann (CM) Nuffield Health Leeds
* Carole McBride (CMc) Mid Yorkshire Hospitals
* Lisa McCallion (LMc) Calderdale and Huddersfield
* Nita Mistry (NM)
* Patronella Musonda (PM) Nuffield Health Leeds
* Karen Nesbitt (KN) Gateshead Health
* Janet Nicholson (JN) North Cumbria
* Julie Pozorski (JP) Barnsley Hospital
* Jordan Reed (JRe) York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals
* Janice Robertson (JR) - **minutes** NHSBT
* Abayomi Shotade (AS) Gateshead
* Faye Smith (FS) Harrogate and District
* Angeline Thiongo (AT) Sheffield Teaching Hospitals
* Ellie Todd (ET) South Tees
* Victoria Waddoups (VW) Rotherham

**Apologies**

* Aimi Baird (AB) Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals
* Helen Barber (HB) Leeds Teaching Hospitals
* Carol Blears (CB) Mid Yorkshire Hospitals
* Victoria Dowson (VD) North Tees and Hartlepool
* Alison Hirst (AH) Airedale Hospital
* April Joslin (AJ) Northumbria Healthcare
* Mark Liversidge (MCL) Barnsley
* Emma Richards (ER) Doncaster & Bassetlaw Hospitals
* Abbie White (AW) Northern Lincolnshire and Goole Hospitals
* Megan Wrightson (MW) - **Deputy Chair** South Tees Hospitals

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1. | Welcome, apologies for absence | | | | |
|  | ML welcomed the group and noted apologies | | | | |
|  | **Education Section** | | | | |
| **2.** | **Feedback from South Tees ABO incompatible never event**  Presented by Ellie Todd (verbal)  Ellie is happy to answer any questions / discuss further, contact [eleanor.todd@nhs.net](mailto:eleanor.todd@nhs.net)  The group noted an interesting TED talk, When rudeness in teams turns deadly | Chris Turner | TEDxExeter <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4RUIhjwCDO0> | | | | |
| **3.** | **NHSBT Pathology Development**  Presented by Chris Elliott | | | | |
| **4.** | **Feedback from Blood Transfusion Service Review June 2023**  Presented by Michelle Lake | | | | |
| **5.** | **New recommendations / guidelines**  No current updates | | | | |
| **6.** | **Minutes and actions from previous meeting** | | | | |
|  | Minutes of previous meeting, 04 December 2023 accepted as a true record.  **Action**: Post minutes onto the SharePoint site | | | | |
|  | MHRA / SHOT response to regional concerns  Specifics of any extra information requested, what could be improved and any duplication, to be fed back to MW. | | | c/fwd | |
|  | Advise MW if you would like MHRA to attend a future meeting to deliver training. | | | c/fwd | |
|  | Minutes of 26 September 2023 meeting, posted onto the SharePoint site | | | Closed | |
|  | Request more information about the TACO alert. | | | c/fwd | |
|  | Take ‘Hypotensive Transfusion Reaction - Scenario based discussion’ to RTT to consider post transfusion follow up audit by a research trainee. | | | c/fwd | |
|  | SharePoint discussion board to be re-examined and ‘How to guide’ to be prepared including instruction on how to set up alerts for immediate, daily, weekly notification.CL | | | c/fwd | |
|  | Escalate doctors non-understanding of two sample rule to RTC | | | c/fwd | |
| **7.** | **PBM Practitioner Update**   * Interest in PBM pop ups from the region. If you would like to hold a ‘pop up’ in your Trust, please advise CL. * Blood Essentials will be available soon. This is the digital resource that will replace A Drop of Knowledge and A Wealth of Knowledge. CL will advise when available. * The group is currently working on the following projects:  Anaemia   Baby blood assist  Improving the accessibility of all our resources.   * The NCA report for the QS 138 is due at the end of the month | | |  | |
| **8.** | **Highlight reports** | | | | |
| Airedale NHS Trust  No report submitted | | Barnsley Hospital NHS Foundation Trust | Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust | | |
| Calderdale and Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust | | County Durham & Darlington NHS Foundation Trust | Doncaster and Bassetlaw Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust | | |
| Gateshead Health NHS Trust | | Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust | Hull & East Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust  No report received | | |
| Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust | | Mid Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust  No report submitted | Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust | | |
| North Cumbria University Hospitals NHS Trust | | North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust | Northern Lincolnshire and Goole Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust  No report submitted | | |
| Northumbria Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust  No report submitted | | Nuffield Leeds  No report submitted | The Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust | | |
| Sheffield Children’s NHS Foundation Trust | | Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust | South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust  No report submitted | | |
| South Tyneside and Sunderland NHS Foundation Trusts  No report submitted | | York & Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust |  | | |
|  | Key points / common themes from reports:   * Issues with staff not adhering to the procedure for the ‘Two sample rule.’ Samples being taken at the same time but labelled 30 minutes apart. * Staffing issues continue. * Poor engagement from clinical areas. * Increasing workload. * Wristbands in outpatient areas for use with BloodTrack. * Transfusions running over four hours due to use of agency staff. * Concerns / more training needed re: PSIRF   Suggested agenda items for future meetings:   * Barnsley - Rhophylac / Genotyping / Special requirements * Bradford - How trusts are managing to satisfy MHRA and PSIRF requirements * Calderdale & Huddersfield - Use of cell salvage in other trusts and how is it monitored * Doncaster & Bassetlaw – Lessons learnt when trusts have Implemented new procedure / change. * Gateshead - An update on anti D * Harrogate - Discussion / information from Trusts who use ROTEM or fibrinogen concentrate. * Leeds - Talk from EMBRACE team in regard to transferring children and babies. * North Tees - Sharing of good practice / Audits | | | | |
| **9.** | **End to end transfusion group update** | | | |  |
|  | * The group has not met since June 2023. * CL emailed the group on 25 January, requesting feedback on what direction the group would like to take and a change in name to Regional Transfusion IT Group. * Next meeting to be held within the next few weeks. | | | |  |
| **10.** | **SharePoint group** | | | |  |
|  | * Changes to the platform causing some issues. | | | |  |
| **11.** | **Non-Medical Authorisation update** | | | | |
|  | * 2024 dates: 14 March / 06 June / 25 September / 05 December. * If you would like to join the working group or have any questions or queries, contact [catrina.ivel1@nhs.net](mailto:catrina.ivel1@nhs.net)   **Action**: group to feed back their expectations of delegates attending the event. | | | | All |
| **12.** | **National TP network (NTPN) feedback** | | | |  |
|  | * TP2024 education sessions 10:00-14:00 14 May 2024  A Day in the Life of a 'Transfusion Practitioner’   10:00-14:00 15 May 2024  A Day in the Life of an International ‘Transfusion Practitioner'   * Transfusion 2024 deliverables associated to TP framework and development has been taken on by Jennifer Rock and a working group of TPs from across the country has been formed and will meet 05 March 24. We will continue to provide support to the project and will feedback to the regional TPs as it progresses. | | | |  |
| **13.** | **Any other business** | | | |  |
|  | * NHSBT Newcastle Panorama Day 20 March 2024 A brief overview of NHSBT including a tour of available departments   An introduction to simple blood grouping including a practical ABO grouping session in the Newcastle training laboratory Five places available, contact [Janice.robertson@nhsbt.nhs.uk](mailto:Janice.robertson@nhsbt.nhs.uk) to register.   * Venue for the September meeting.   CL requested feedback for returning to the Darlington Arena. VW requested we investigate a venue closer to Leeds. Suggestions include: Leeds Marriott  Headingley Stadium  Elland Road Stadium  Harrogate conference centre  Ripon Racecourse  Bradford Bulls Stadium  Vary between Newcastle / Barnsley Blood Centres   * Succession planning for chair of the group ML to stand down as chair of the group after 3 years.   **Action**: Add to the agenda for the June meeting. | | | |  |
| **14.** | **Date of next meeting** | | | |  |
|  | * 1pm to 4pm Wednesday 12 June 2024 Teams meeting | | | |  |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Action List | | |
| **Item No** | **Action** | **By** |
| 6 | MHRA / SHOT response to regional concerns  Specifics of any extra information requested, what could be improved and any duplication, to be fed back to MW. | All |
| 6 | Advise MW if you would like MHRA to attend a future meeting to deliver training. | All |
| 6 | Request more information about the TACO alert. | AB |
| 6 | Take ‘Hypotensive Transfusion Reaction - Scenario based discussion’ to RTT to consider post transfusion follow up audit by a research trainee. | CL |
| 6 | SharePoint discussion board to be re-examined and ‘How to guide’ to be prepared including instruction on how to set up alerts for immediate, daily, weekly notification.CL | CL |
| 6 | Escalate doctors non-understanding of two sample rule to RTC | ML/MW |
| 6 | Post minutes of 04 December 2023 meeting onto the SharePoint site | JR |
| 11 | Group to feed back their expectations of delegates attending the NMA event to CI. | All |
| 13 | Add ‘Succession planning’ to the agenda for the June meeting. | JR |