North East & Yorkshire Regional Transfusion Practitioner Group Meeting

Minutes

13:00 – 16:00 Monday 02 December 2024  
Teams meeting

**Present**

* Bushra Amin (BA) Sheffield Teaching Hospitals
* Aimi Baird (AB) Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals
* Amanda Baxter (ABax) Sheffield Children’s
* Roisin Bevan (RB) (Section 2 only) Gastro consultant and Anaemia lead,   
   North Tees
* Anessa Birader (Abi) Leeds Teaching Hospitals
* Michelle Cairns (MC) County Durham & Darlington
* Debbie Cox (DC) North Tees and Hartlepool
* Robin Coupe (RC) NHSBT
* Laura Duffy (LD) Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals
* Stephanie Ferguson (SF) Leeds Teaching Hospitals
* Carolyn Hippy (CH) Bradford Royal Infirmary
* Alison Hirst (AH) Airedale Hospital
* Katie Hunter (KH) Northumbria
* Catrina Ivel (CI)  York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals
* Juliet James (JJ) County Durham & Darlington
* Emma Johnson-Kelly (EJK) Northern Lincolnshire and Goole
* Raheela Khalid (RK) Nuffield Leeds
* Michelle Lake (ML) - **Chair** Calderdale and Huddersfield
* Caroline Mann (CM) Nuffield Leeds
* Gillian McAnaney (GMc) County Durham & Darlington
* Lisa McCallion (LMc) Calderdale & Huddersfield
* Nita Mistry (NM)  Bradford Royal Infirmary
* Patronella Musonda (PM) Nuffield Leeds
* Janet Nicholson (JN) North Cumbria
* Jordan Reed (JRe) York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals
* Emma Richards (ER) Doncaster & Bassetlaw Hospitals
* Janice Robertson (JR) - **minutes** NHS Blood & Transplant
* Krishab Sharma (KS) York & Scarborough
* Jo Shorthouse (JS) NHSBT
* Michelle Skee (MS) Northumbria
* Faye Smith (FS) Harrogate and District
* Angeline Thiongo (AT)  Sheffield Teaching Hospitals
* Victoria Waddoups (VW) Rotherham Hospital
* Megan Wrightson (MW) - **Deputy Chair** South Tees Hospitals

**Apologies**

* Kate Atkinson (KA) Leeds Teaching Hospitals
* Helen Barber (HB) Leeds Teaching Hospitals
* Lucy Bevan (LB) Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals
* Carol Blears (CB) Mid Yorkshire Hospitals
* Joanne Bowden (JB) Hull University Teaching Hospitals
* Claire Broere (CB) South Tees
* Carolyn Carveth-Marshall (CCM) South Tees Hospitals
* Lisa Creaser (LC) York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals
* Victoria Dowson (VD) North Tees and Hartlepool
* Jay Faulkner (JF) Leeds Teaching Hospitals
* Phoebe Fletcher (PF) Sheffield Teaching Hospitals
* Mark Liversidge (ML) Barnsley Hospital
* Carole McBride (CMc) Mid Yorkshire Hospitals
* Karen Nesbitt (KN) Gateshead Health
* Jill Parkinson (JP) Bradford
* Pauline Patterson (PP) South Tyneside & Sunderland
* Julie Pozorski (JP) Barnsley Hospital
* Sue Rabett (SR) Leeds Teaching Hospitals
* Jonathan Trattles (JT) South Tyneside & Sunderland
* Abigail Wagstaff (AW) Northern Lincolnshire and Goole
* Helen West (HW) Bradford Royal Infirmary
* Abbie White (AW) Northern Lincolnshire and Goole Hospitals
* Rachael Wilkinson Hall (RWH) Sheffield Teaching Hospitals

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| 1. | Welcome, apologies for absence | | | | |
|  | ML welcomed the group | | | | |
| **2.** | **Education Section** | | | | |
|  | **Discussion on massive haemorrhage administration documentation.**  The question “Do you have a separate ‘Major Haemorrhage’ administration chart? was included in the highlight report for this meeting.  Just under 50% of Trusts in the region do have a separate chart and a number of others are currently in the process implementing one.  Most Trusts currently using the chart send it with the blood products issued for major haemorrhage, this reduces the possibility of the incorrect chart being used. Use of the chart is reported as improving communication with the laboratory and is also a reminder to ‘stand down’ incidents. Clinical input is required to drive this through. No negative issues in using the charts were noted.  An updated version of the regional administration chart (based on the NuTH document) is currently under review and will be posted onto the website once finalised. | | | | |
|  | **Anaemia challenges with patients**  Presented by Roisin Bevan | | | | |
| **3.** | **Minutes and actions from previous meeting** | | | | |
|  | Minutes of previous meeting, 11 September 2024 accepted as a true record.  **Action**: Post minutes onto the NBTC website | | | | |
|  | Minutes of previous meeting, 12 June 2024, posted onto the SharePoint and NBTC websites | | | Closed | |
|  | A survey to collect views on the way forward of the Regional Transfusion IT Group was circulated. | | | Closed | |
|  | Email sent to JRo to formally accept his offer to take over as chair of the group. | | | Closed | |
|  | Mobile numbers forwarded to JR to enable setting up of a NE&Y regional TP WhatsApp group. | | | Closed | |
|  | Group agreed **not** to continue with the WhatsApp group as not all of the group could access. | | | Closed | |
| **4.** | **PBM update**  Presented by Jo Shorthouse. | | |  | |
| **5.** | **Highlight reports** | | | | |
| Airedale NHS Trust | | 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  No report submitted | | Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust | Humber Health Partnership  Inc. Hull & East Yorkshire and Northern Lincolnshire and Goole  No report submitted | | |
| Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust | | Mid Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust  No report submitted | Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust  No report submitted | | |
| North Cumbria University Hospitals NHS Trust | | North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust | Northumbria Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust | | |
| 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 | South Tyneside and Sunderland NHS Foundation Trusts | | |
| York & Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust | |  |  | | |
|  | Summary of reports  Items highlighted on the summary were discussed during the meeting. | | | | |
| **6.** | **Regional Transfusion IT Group** | | | |  |
|  | * To help decide how we move forward with this group, members were asked to complete a questionnaire to review progress to date and provide some direction for the future of this group - only five responses were received.  The group felt that as the group covers multiple disciplines this may be better as an agenda item for the RTC meetings. * The North-East and Yorkshire RTC End-to-End Transfusion IT Group: 2023 IT Profiling Survey Results have been included on the [SHOT SCRIPT website](https://www.shotuk.org/resources/current-resources/script/). Suggestion to repeat this survey to see what has been achieved. **Action**: Write up a report for the RTC **Action**: Include ‘IT issues’ on future agendas for this meeting. | | | |  |
| **7.** | **Non-Medical Authorisation update** | | | | |
|  | * 2024 dates: 05 December. * Review meeting scheduled for 11 December 24, any ideas to improve the event are welcomed. Following this meeting dates for 2025 events will be released. * 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) | | | |  |
| **8.** | **National TP network (NTPN) feedback** | | | |  |
|  | * No update | | | |  |
| **9.** | **TPs opportunity to request support** | | | |  |
|  | * SharePoint and WhatsApp Group have not proved suitable for the group. * [FutureNHS](https://future.nhs.uk/Home/grouphome) is a NHSE platform enabling a group to connect with others, share documents, and collaborate on projects. We have set up a private workspace for this group and initial findings are that it seems to cover what we need. The hope is that we can use this for any ‘questions for the region’ as responses should be visible to the full group.   **Action**: Add this group as members of the workspace and run a pilot in January 25 for any communications. | | | |  |
| **10.** | **Any other business** | | | |  |
|  | * Sheffield Childrens have encountered barriers with the NHSBT ‘What’s your blood group events.’ Requirements for risk assessments for the event were too complicated and the scheduled event has been cancelled. **Action**: Contact NHSBT Partnerships to see if issues are with NHSBT or the Trust. * Out of the acute hospital setting transfusion  **Action**: Please share any documents or policies with ML * Request to include a ’learning from incidents’ item in the RTC Transfusion Bulletin. Further details may be requested on items included in the highlight reports. * The group thanked ML for her input into the group during her five year term as chair. | | | |  |
| **11.** | **Date of next meeting** | | | |  |
|  | * To be confirmed | | | |  |

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| Action List | | |
| **Item No** | **Action** | **By** |
| 3 | Post minutes of previous meeting, 11 September 2024, onto the NBTC website | JR |
| 6 | Write up a report on the Regional Transfusion IT Group, for the RTC | ML |
| 6 | Include ‘IT issues’ on future agendas for this meeting. | JR |
| 9 | Add this group as members of the FutureNHS workspace and run a pilot in January 25 for any communications. | JR |
| 10 | Contact NHSBT Partnerships to see if issues with ‘What’s your blood group events’ are with NHSBT or the Trust. | JR |
| 10 | Please share any ‘Out of the acute hospital setting transfusion’ documents or policies with ML | All |