

# North East & Yorkshire Regional Transfusion Practitioner Group Meeting

## Minutes/

13:00 – 16:00 16 June 25


Teams meeting

### Present

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| • Bushra Amin (BA)                           | Sheffield Teaching Hospitals            |
| • Aimi Baird (AB)                            | Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals           |
| • Amanda Baxter (ABa)                        | Sheffield Children's                    |
| • Lucy Bevan (LB)                            | Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals           |
| • Aimee Burtenshaw (ABu)                     | PBMP, NHSBT                             |
| • Carolyn Carveth-Marshall (CCM)             | South Tees Hospitals                    |
| • Debbie Cox (DC)                            | North Tees and Hartlepool               |
| • Katie Douglass (KD)                        | Northumbria                             |
| • Stephanie Ferguson (SF)                    | Leeds Teaching Hospitals                |
| • Ren Gregory (RG)                           | Sheffield Teaching Hospitals            |
| • Alison Hirst (AH)                          | Airedale Hospital                       |
| • Catrina Ivel (CI)                          | York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals |
| • Juliet James (JJ)                          | County Durham & Darlington              |
| • Jasmin Jaimon (JJ)                         | Gateshead                               |
| • Emma Johnson-Kelly (EJK)                   | Northern Lincolnshire & Goole           |
| • Michelle Lake (ML)                         | Calderdale and Huddersfield             |
| • Caroline Mann (CM)                         | Nuffield Leeds                          |
| • Lisa McCallion (LMc)                       | Calderdale & Huddersfield               |
| • Nita Mistry (NM)                           | Bradford                                |
| • Patronella Musonda (PM)                    | Nuffield Leeds                          |
| • Karen Nesbitt (KN)                         | Gateshead Health                        |
| • Janet Nicholson (JN)                       | North Cumbria                           |
| • Emma Richards (ER)                         | Doncaster & Bassetlaw Hospitals         |
| • Janice Robertson (JR) – <b>minutes</b>     | NHS Blood & Transplant                  |
| • Krishan Sharma (KS)                        | York & Scarborough                      |
| • *Michelle Skee (MS)                        | Northumbria                             |
| • Faye Smith (FS)                            | Harrogate and District                  |
| • Janice Smith (JS)                          | Gateshead                               |
| • Angeline Thiongo (AT)                      | Sheffield Teaching Hospitals            |
| • Abbie White (AW)                           | Northern Lincolnshire & Goole           |
| • Megan Wrightson (MW) - <b>Deputy Chair</b> | South Tees Hospitals                    |

### Apologies

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| • Victoria Dowson (VD)   | North Tees and Hartlepool  |
| • Jill Parkinson (JP)    | Bradford Royal Infirmary   |
| • Julie Pozorski (JPo)   | Barnsley                   |
| • Raheela Khalid (RK)    | Nuffield Leeds             |
| • Mark Liversidge (ML)   | Barnsley                   |
| • Gillian McAnaney (GMc) | County Durham & Darlington |
| • Carole McBride (CMc)   | Mid Yorkshire Hospitals    |
| • Victoria Waddoups (VW) | Rotherham Hospital         |

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| <b>1.</b> | <b>Welcome, apologies for absence</b>   |        |
|           | MW welcomed the group<br>Jordan Reed has stood down as chair of the group as he has taken up a post in the Scientific and Clinical Training and Education (SCTE) team at NHSBT.<br>VW will be taking over as chair. KD and MW will be joint deputy chairs.  |        |
| <b>2.</b> | <b>Minutes and actions from previous meeting</b>  |        |
|           | Minutes of previous meeting, 05 March 25 accepted as a true record.<br><b>Action:</b> Post minutes onto the NBTC website and Future NHS site.   |        |
|           | Minutes of previous meeting, 02 December 2024 onto the NBTC website and FutureNHS site.   | Closed |
|           | Issue with culture of bypassing procedures but noting that the procedure has been completed, escalated to RTC at June 25 meeting.   | Closed |
|           | Document regarding barriers to holding a 'What's your blood group event' posted onto FutureNHS platform.  | Closed |
|           | Post a summary of points raised by MHRA at York & Scarborough, posted onto FutureNHS platform.  | c/fwd  |
|           | Provide a summary of key points from the February 25 NTPN meeting.  | c/fwd  |
|           | Escalate issue of National Discharge Framework not including Transfusion to NTPN.   | c/fwd  |
|           | No details of any experience with Use of EPMA for authorisation of blood components, forwarded to Jordan Reed. He presumed that no one in the region is using this.   | Closed |
|           | Use of EPMA for authorisation of blood components escalated to James Davies, NTPN lead for end-to-end transfusion IT.<br><b>Post meeting note:</b><br>James Davies does not know about Nervecentre, the EPR which York and Harrogate Trusts are bringing in, but he does know other EPRs such as Cerner and Epic have the functionality to electronically authorise components. He also shared the below SHOT/SCRIPT documents regarding EPR prescribing and ordering, which may be of use to TPs who want to be in the conversation.<br><u><a href="#">Using Information Technology for Safe Transfusion - Serious Hazards of Transfusion</a></u><br><u><a href="#">IT Toolkit - Serious Hazards of Transfusion</a></u> – specifically in the IT Toolkit the Order Comms Specification document may be of interest regarding ordering. | Closed |
| <b>3.</b> | <b>PBM update</b><br>Presented by Aimee Burtenshaw<br><br>PBM update June 2025.pdf   |        |
| <b>4.</b> | <b>Education Section</b>  |        |
|           | Coca-Cola Wee. You're in trouble patient with sickle cell disease<br>Presented by Andrew Fletcher   |        |



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Sickle Cell Disease.pdf

**5. Highlight reports**

**Airedale NHS Trust**



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**Barnsley Hospital NHS  
Foundation Trust**



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**Bradford Teaching Hospitals  
NHS Foundation Trust**



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**Calderdale and Huddersfield  
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**County Durham & Darlington  
NHS Foundation Trust**



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**Doncaster and Bassetlaw  
Hospitals NHS Foundation  
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**Gateshead Health NHS Trust**



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**Harrogate and District NHS  
Foundation Trust**



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**Humber Health Partnership  
Inc. Hull & East Yorkshire and  
Northern Lincolnshire and Goole**

**Leeds Teaching Hospitals  
NHS Trust**



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**Mid Yorkshire Hospitals NHS  
Trust**

No report submitted

**Newcastle Upon Tyne  
Hospitals NHS Foundation  
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**North Cumbria University  
Hospitals NHS Trust**



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**North Tees and Hartlepool NHS  
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**Nuffield Leeds**

No report submitted

**The Rotherham NHS Foundation  
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**Sheffield Children's NHS  
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**Sheffield Teaching Hospitals  
NHS Foundation Trust**



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#### Summary of reports

Items highlighted on the summary were discussed during the meeting.



Highlight report  
summary.xlsx

**Action:** Request Bradford give an update on a recent audit on community mislabelled samples at a future meeting.

#### 6. Non-Medical Authorisation update

- 2025 dates: 17 September / 03 December
- Documents to be retrospectively ratified by RTC.
- 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)

#### 7. National TP network (NTPN) feedback

- Next meeting 19 June 2025  
**Action:** Provide a summary of key points from the June 25 NTPN meeting.
- The TPs are becoming more nationally recognised. Good engagement nationally with the work around IBI and working groups set up based on the recommendations.
- Feedback on the NTPN framework is currently under review. Recording of the sessions are available via [Developing and Elevating the TP Role: From Reflection to Action | National Blood Transfusion Committee](#)

#### 8. FutureNHS

- MW gave a demonstration of the platform.  
The group is requested to use this forum for any questions for the group and respond within the forum rather than emailing directly. This will result in a library of information that we can all access.  
**Action:** Post any audits / documents onto the Future NHS site
- If you would like to join the groups site, please contact [Janice.Robertson@nhsbt.nhs.uk](mailto:Janice.Robertson@nhsbt.nhs.uk)

#### 9. I.T. Issues

- No Update
- **Action:** Remove item from future agendas.

#### 10. Any other business

- Following a resignation from the group, the RTT is looking for a TP to join the RTT working group. If you are interested, please contact JR.
- Question from NM  
What do Trusts do in regard to patients on Brentuximab? Is this on

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|            | <p>policies as needing irradiated products irrespective of diagnosis?<br/>AB advised that this would be drug dependant for Newcastle Trust.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AB presented an update on responses from the IBI inquiry at a York &amp; Scarborough event and is happy to present to the group</li> </ul> <p><b>Action:</b> Add to agenda for a future meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AB asked if the group would be happy to share the NE&amp;Y FutureNHS site outside of the region. The group agreed that a link person could access but the site should be for the regional group.</li> </ul> |  |
| <b>11.</b> | <b>Date of next meetings</b>   |  |
|            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tuesday 09 September 25 - via teams</li> <li>Tuesday 04 November 25 - In person meeting to be held at the Darlington Arena</li> </ul>   |  |

## Action List

| Item No | Action  | By  |
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| 2       | Post minutes of March 25 meeting onto the NBTC website and Future NHS site.                             | JR  |
| 2       | Post a summary of points raised by MHRA at York & Scarborough, posted onto FutureNHS platform.          | CI  |
| 2       | Provide a summary of key points from the February 25 NTPN meeting.                                      | AB  |
| 2       | Escalate issue of National Discharge Framework not including Transfusion to NTPN.                       | AB  |
| 5       | Request Bradford give an update on a recent audit on community mislabelled samples at a future meeting. | MW  |
| 7       | Provide a summary of key points from the June 25 NTPN meeting.  | AB  |
| 8       | Post any audits / documents onto the Future NHS site  | All |
| 9       | Remove I.T. item from future agendas  | JR  |
| 10      | Add an update on responses from the IBI inquiry, presented by AB, to the agenda for a future meeting.   | JR  |