

BLOOD STOCKS MANAGEMENT SCHEME

Open Meeting 2006

Wednesday 7th June

Paragon Hotel, Birmingham



Overview and Programme

Overview

The BSMS Open meeting is always a good opportunity to get away from the laboratory or office to discuss relevant issues related to blood inventory management. This year's open meeting programme will consist of a brief overview of blood inventory management in 2005-06, feedback from the BiteSize projects which were a follow up activity from the 2005 meeting, four simultaneous interactive workshops which will be run twice on topics currently relevant in blood supply management and an open forum.

The BiteSize projects

- ***Appropriate stock levels***

Testing and piloting various scenarios in relation to stock levels in the hospital setting e.g. "order up to" policies.

- ***Hospital partnerships***

Recommendations for partnerships for inventory management including a standardised system for movements between hospitals.

- ***Ordering, issue, delivery and transport***

Exploring and making recommendations on the possibility of the NBS implementing a mixed issue policy when the NBS stock level climbs above the normal threshold.

- ***Predicting demand***

Identify the major sources of influence on demand in the hospital setting.

- ***Relationships across the supply chain***

Identify ways in which job shadowing could be facilitated.

- ***Sale or return***

Identify the most appropriate way for encouraging the use of group AB Pos and AB Neg and group B. Is sale or return the best approach.

Interactive Workshops (Run twice)

Workshop A - The use of group O Negative blood.

This is an area relevant to the Integrated Blood Shortage Plan performance benchmarking framework. It is also an area of concern in relation to blood supply management because O Neg issues remain at a much higher level than the general population frequency. A hospital liaison manager and a hospital blood transfusion laboratory manager will each share their experience.

Workshop B - The requirements for validation of the cold chain.

Cold chain validation is pertinent to requirements in the 2005 blood safety and quality regulations. The workshop will cover all the requirements for blood storage for fridges including fridge monitoring and about appropriate methods for moving blood between sites.

Workshop C - The Blood Stocks Management Scheme.

This workshop will focus on BSMS developments, in particular feedback from the pilot sites in the fate of donation project. It will also cover your information requirements on stock management and how these might be incorporated into VANESA into future VANESA developments.

Workshop D - Best practice for blood stock management in the hospital setting.

Best practice in blood inventory management will be discussed and the group will work towards the development of a SOP for stock management.

Open Forum

The Open Forum is usually a time for lively debate. The panel will consist of hospital representatives on the BSMS steering group and from the NBS. To help you think about your questions the forum will cover the following topics: -

- The BSMS
- Confidentiality of data
- The NBS inventory and shelf life, red cells and platelets
- Transport
- Cold chain validation
- Fate of donation project

We would like to encourage you to email your questions to us prior to the meeting.

Poster presentations

This year we are also offering you the opportunity to submit an abstract for a poster presentation that is related to your practice of blood inventory management. We want to capture good practice and innovative ideas. We are even able to print your posters for you. All abstracts should be sent to bsms@nbs.nhs.uk by **Friday 14th April 2006**. They should include the title, authors, hospital or institution and a summary of your initiative and/or good practice in no more than 350 words.

Benefits

Participants will be able to:

- Contribute to the recommendations from the BiteSize projects
- Understand best practice for managing group O Neg red cell units
- Recognise the requirements for cold chain validation
- Suggest developments for the BSMS
- Contribute to the development of a SOP for effective blood inventory management
- Question the BSMS, hospital and Blood Service representatives about stock related issues

Who should attend?

- Hospital staff involved in managing the hospital blood inventory or who use the Scheme
- Blood Transfusion laboratory managers
- Blood Service senior managers and managers involved in managing national and local blood centre inventories
- Blood Service managers involved in the management of the blood supply chain

Programme

10:00	10:30	<i>Coffee & Registration</i>	
10:30	10:35	Welcome	
10.30	11.00	Blood Stock Management 2005-06	Judith Chapman
11:00	11:45	BiteSize project feedback	BiteSize project facilitators
11.50	12.50	Workshops – Session I	
		Workshop A	Use of O Neg red cell units
		Workshop B	Cold chain validation
		Workshop C	BSMS developments
		Workshop D	Best practice for stock management the hospital setting
12:50	13:45	<i>Lunch</i>	
13:45	14:45	Workshops – Session II <i>(As session I)</i>	
14:45	15:00	<i>Tea break</i>	
15:00	16:00	Open Forum	
16.00		Close	

Cost

£35 BSMS participants, £45 non-participants

Venue

The Paragon Hotel, 145, Alcester Street, Birmingham

The hotel is a 15 minute walk from Birmingham New Street Station or a 10 minute taxi ride.

