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### **BSMS OPEN MEETING 2006**

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June, Paragon Hotel, Birmingham**

The meeting will include a review of BSMS data for 2005-06, feedback from the 2005 post meeting BiteSize projects and 4 simultaneous interactive workshops. These will focus on the use of group O Neg red cells, cold chain validation, best practice in blood inventory management in the hospital setting and BSMS developments. There will also be the usual open forum, an opportunity for all participants to “grill” a panel on issues related to blood supply management.

#### **New in 2006**

**Poster presentations** This year you can also submit an abstract for a poster presentation related to your practice of blood inventory management. We are even able to print the posters for you.

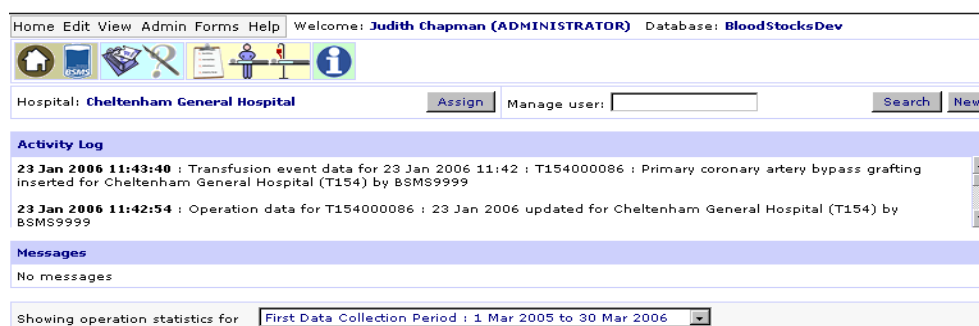
A programme and application form are enclosed with this Newswire.

### **ELECTRONIC DELIVERY NOTE**

At last there is an opportunity for all NBS hospitals to receive information on their blood delivery electronically. The BSMS has sent all hospitals information on how to receive the electronic delivery note. If you have any queries about the process, or if you wish to register (you must be sure that your IT system supports EDN first) please contact the BSMS office on [bsms@nbs.nhs.uk](mailto:bsms@nbs.nhs.uk)

### **INTEGRATED BLOOD SHORTAGE PLAN PERFORMANCE BENCHMARKING**

The BSMS are facilitating the performance benchmarking process associated with the Integrated Blood Shortage plan. The software to facilitate the collection of surgical operation data has been written and accepted. It has been christened SID; Surgical Information Database. SID will be piloted from February to April 2006. Providing the pilot has been successful the first data collection period will take place later in the year. Judith has been touring the National Blood Service blood transfusion laboratory manager’s meetings, and regional transfusion committee meetings presenting information on the benchmarking. For more information visit [w.bloodstocks.co.uk](http://w.bloodstocks.co.uk)



## FATE OF DONATION PROJECT UPDATE

The FOD project is making progress. You may recall the FOD facility will enable you to electronically upload all the BSMS data, plus additional information on the age and gender of any transfused patient, from the hospital blood transfusion information system to the BSMS server. Clinisys (Labcentre), Telepath, and Technidata have all written software modules to facilitate FOD and, following a successful pilot, these will be available to your laboratory.

The software will be piloted in about 8 hospitals which have been selected by the software suppliers. The pilot will commence in early March. Provided the pilot is successful it is hoped that the FOD facility will be rolled out to hospitals during 2006. The option of manually entering your data will still be available.

## NORTHERN IRELAND HOSPITALS AND BLOOD SERVICE SHARE THEIR DATA

Northern Ireland hospitals and the Northern Ireland blood service are the first group of BSMS participants to agree to share blood stock information between themselves.

Currently all hospital data in VANESA is anonymised but this decision by Northern Ireland to share their data is the first to take advantage of new functionality. If all parties agree, **any** participating hospital or centre can share their data with each other. If you would like to take advantage of this facility, download the 'Share your Data' form from VANESA.

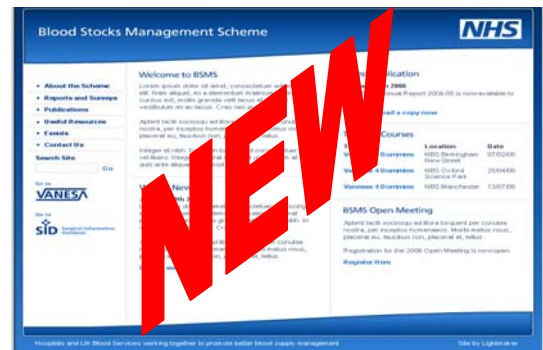
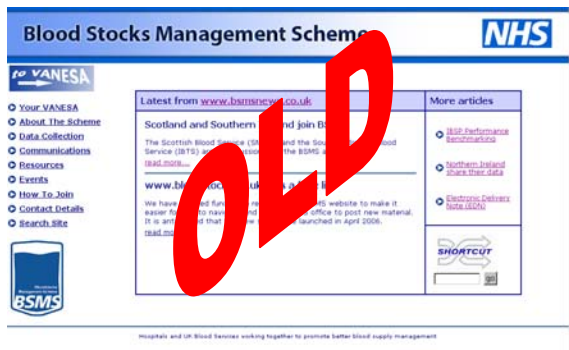
We will be monitoring the Northern Ireland initiative over the coming months and will obtain feedback from the hospitals and the blood service to find out how it is working. We will report back on [www.bsmsnews.co.uk](http://www.bsmsnews.co.uk)

## LAUNCH OF BSMSNEWS.CO.UK

The BSMS is experimenting with [www.bsmsnews.co.uk](http://www.bsmsnews.co.uk) an interactive site where you can link directly to articles appearing in newswire, post comments and join debates. You can also take part in quick polls.



## WWW.BLOODSTOCKS.CO.UK GETS A FACE LIFT!



The BSMS website is undergoing a redevelopment to make it easier for you to navigate and for the BSMS office to post new material. It is anticipated that the new site will be launched in April 2006.

## SIX MONTHLY REPORTS

Six monthly reports have recently been distributed to all active participants. The report is presented in a slightly different format with commentary confined to each chart and no general discussion. We are interested to hear from you as to whether you like this format. Please send us your comments or post them on [bsmsnewswire.co.uk](http://bsmsnewswire.co.uk)

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