

## **The Update May 2017**

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*Dr Andrea Harmer, National Head of H&I Services*

### **Register now for the Blood Stocks Management Scheme (BSMS) Roadshows 2017**

There are currently places remaining at all venues. Please complete the application form as soon as possible.

The venues and dates:

- 7 June 2017 NHSBT Birmingham New Street, 65 New St., B2 4DU
- 8 June 2017 NHSBT Sheffield Centre, Longley Lane, S5 7JN
- 21 June 2017 Friends House, 173 -177 Euston Road, London, NW1 2BJ (opposite Euston Station)

Key themes include:

- Can we do better with less - The O D Negative conundrum
- Recommendations from the A D negative platelet snapshot survey
- Back to basics - Optimising red cell stock levels

- Interactive workshops

The roadshows are aimed at anyone who works in blood transfusion and patient blood management in a hospital or blood centre; transfusion laboratory managers, transfusion practitioners, biomedical scientists, stock managers and anyone involved with or with an interest in inventory management.

A application form can be downloaded from the [Blood Stocks Management Scheme website](#)

*Sue Cotton, Blood Stocks Management Scheme Manager*

## **For Information**

### **Upgrade of Specialist Services Electronic Reporting System (Sp-ICE) on 7 June**

The system will be unavailable from 8:30 am for 4 to 6 hours during the upgrade, and the login page will be updated advising when Sp-ICE is available to use.

The upgrade to version 6.3 will resolve functionality issues reported by users as they have moved to using Microsoft Internet Explorer 11 (IE11). For example, losing the individual patient search function and only being able to access reports via “View Latest Reports” or “View Reports by Location”.

It is recommended to use this version with IE11. The version has also been validated with IE7 and IE8.

Please use the latest versions of the [user guide](#), training presentation and refer to the document listing the changes

*Helen Cerullo, Secondary Systems Manager – Specialist Services IT*

### **New Blood Components app**

The NHS Blood and Transplant Patient Blood Management team have worked with the National Blood Transfusion Committee to develop an app which is based on the national transfusion guidelines for adults, infants & children and neonates.

The app is an update of the previous NBTC app based on the NBTC indication codes and will act as a prompt for clinicians, to facilitate appropriate use of blood and enable robust documentation of indications.

It is available to download on [Apple iTunes](#) and Android phones from [Google Play](#), with the download for Windows phones coming soon.

Please let us know your thoughts and share with hospital colleagues.

*Denise Watson, Patient Blood Management Practitioner - Education Team*

## For Training

### **Revised Non-Medical Authorisation of Blood Components course**

This has been reviewed and revised and will run as a pilot in Sheffield 19 – 21 July. Access [training events](#) for a programme outline, registration form, and future dates & venues, for this and other courses. Your attendance is welcomed.

If there is no event in your area and you would like to attend, please register and we will aim to programme this into our plans for events in 2018.

*Denise Watson, Patient Blood Management Practitioner - Education Team*



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