

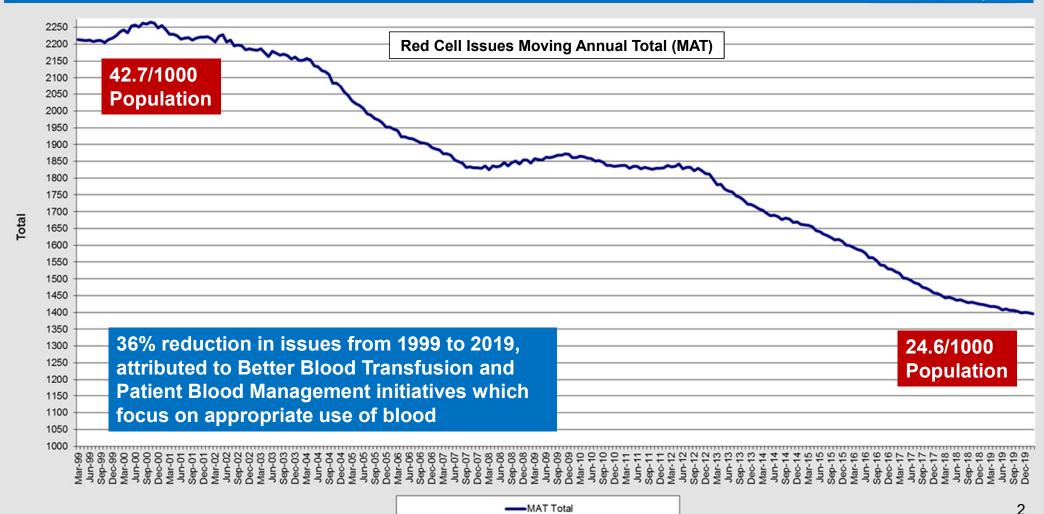
Demand for O D Neg Blood

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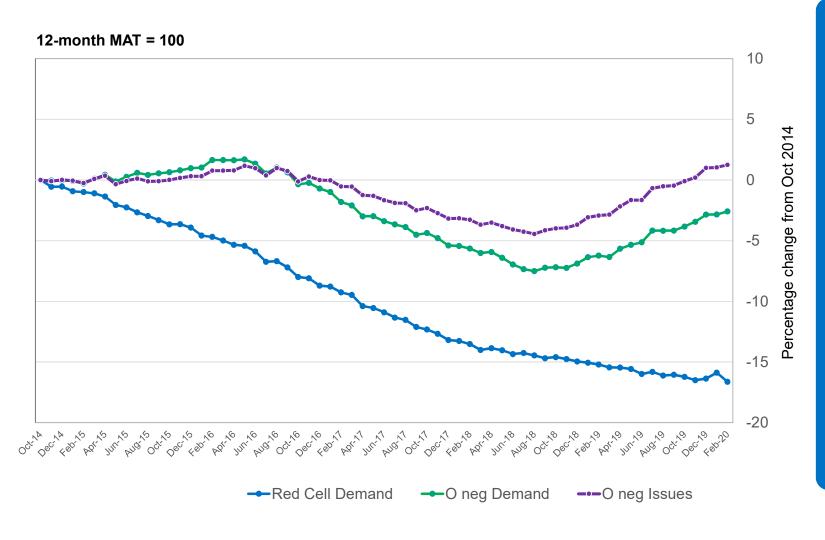






Red cell, O D neg demand & issues





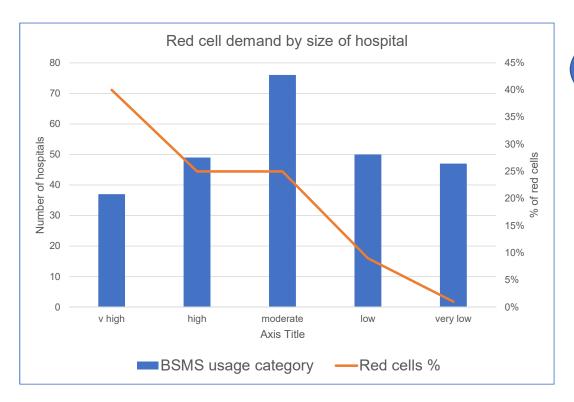
As a 12-months MAT and using as a reference point October 2014 vs. February 2020:

- □ Total red cell demand has decreased by c.17% (from 1.68 million)
- O neg *demand* has decreased by just c.3% (from 1.88k) over the same period
- □ O neg issues are the highest on record, increasing by 1% (from 200k)

Where do red cells go?

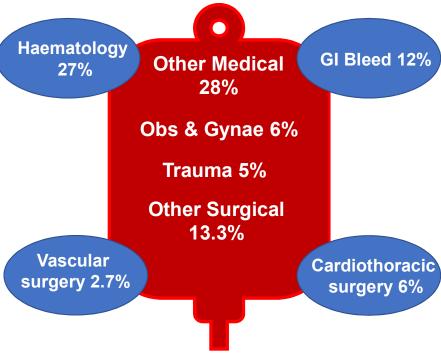


Which hospitals?



37 'very high' user hospitals account for 40% of red cells

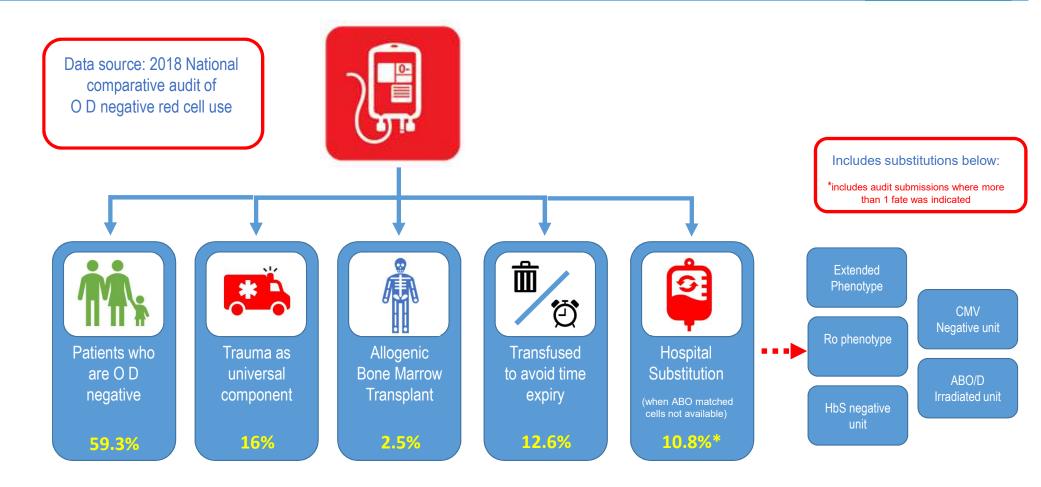
Which clinical specialties? *



Based on 2014* 'Where does blood go'; but need 'real time' data

Where do O D neg red cells go?





O D Neg – why is demand still increasing?





STOCK HOLDING

Data source: 2018 National comparative audit O D neg

- Transfusion to avoid time expiry at 12.6%; suggests overstocking
- Increased stocking of remote refrigerators with O D neg red
- Impact of 29 Pathology Networks; hub and spoke models; centralised Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS), governance, logistics



STAFFING

Deskilling, understaffing, in hospital transfusion labs

* UK Transfusion Laboratory Collaborative Survey 2017
** 2018 National comparative audit O D neg

- * In 2017, 35.9% (61/170) laboratories reported a **decrease in qualified staff**; 39.2% reported use of locum and agency staff
- ** 10.8% of O D neg red cells used as a substitution by hospitals; approximately half could have been met by suitable O D pos RBCs



TRAUMA

Increase in trauma cases & use of blood pre- hospital

* Trauma Audit & Research Network
** Office of National Statistics

- *2014 2018: 37.3% increase in trauma patients, 39% increase in those requiring blood components
- Increase in pre-hospital transfusion 25 emergency helicopters in England; >12 carrying RBCs 2019; 8 in 2017; only 1 in 2012
- **Increase in knife crime; +7% in 2019; +49% since 2011

O D Neg – what actions are we taking?





Targeted work with individual Trusts

- Stockholding
- Wastage management
- Vendor Management Inventory

Education

- Local, regional, national
- Toolkits including apps
- Promotion of alternatives to blood
- Pre-operative assessment initiatives

Case Study

 St Mary's Hospital, London; part of the Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust

The problem

Correlation of high component stock levels with high wastage

What we did - bespoke stock review

Results

- Reduction of RBC stock by 42.25% or 68 units in average daily stock holding
- Reduction in time expired units from an average of 43 units to 10 units / month
- Equates to >£4,000 per month saving;
 >£48,000 per year ongoing savings
- Over the first year, savings of £56,500 were made





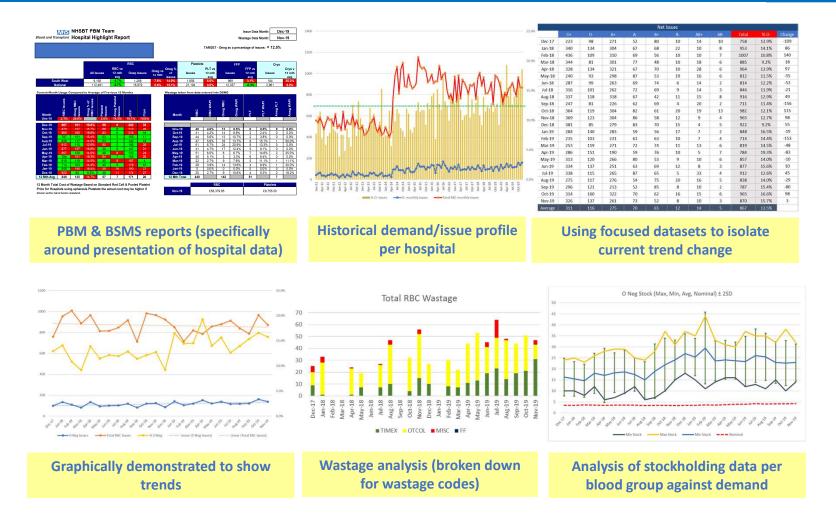
Evidence Based Practice

- O D neg guidelines: use of O D pos
- Massive Haemorrhage guidelines and audit
- Guidance for pre hospital transfusion/emergency vehicles
- Systematic Reviews



What do we discuss with hospitals?





Next Phase - A System Approach

- Actions required to deliver further improvements in O D neg use require a system wide, strategic approach
- Transfusion 2024 catalyst for mapping out next phase for even better blood use
- Publication pending anticipated in September 2020





Patient Blood Management

- Self assessment and benchmarking 'model hospital' working with NHSI
- · Targeted focus on O D neg



Hospital Laboratory Practice

- Focus on workforce & strengthening education, working with Chief Scientific Officer & Health Education England
- · Further development of Consultant Clinical Scientist roles and scientific leadership



Transfusion IT

- · Connectivity between hospitals and NHSBT
- Electronic tracking throughout transfusion process



Greater Integration with Hospitals

- Red Cell Immunology services
- · Stockholding further targeted promotion of good practice



Research and Development

- Supporting data driven, evidence based transfusion practice, bespoke for patient needs
- New component development

Delivering Transfusion 2024





Patient Blood Management



Hospital Laboratory Practice



- By comparison with other programmes, the NHSBT PBM resource is small; activity to support demand management is only part of these diverse roles
- > Expand and strengthen bespoke approach to working with targeted hospitals to improve laboratory stock management
- > Strategic review of the structure, governance and deliverables of the National Comparative Audit Programme
- Investment in the Blood Stocks Management Team



Transfusion IT



Greater Integration with Hospitals

Investment in integration

- > Integrate systems to improve efficiency of the blood supply chain to enable:
 - monitoring the appropriate use of blood & benchmarking clinical practice
 - · sharing of real-time data
 - Improvement in hospital blood stock management



Research and Development

Research programme – 'Big data'

➤ Use of 'Big data' to support research into what characteristics of donors and blood components are key to improving patient outcomes e.g. for patients requiring chronic transfusion support

Transfusion 2024 presentation to NHSBT Board in September 2020

Strategic Response: Investment and Deliverables