

Convalescent Plasma Programme NHSBT September Board 2020

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Convalescent Plasma: Objectives



Phase 1

To rapidly scale the access to and use of Convalescent Plasma to treat people who are critically ill with COVID-19 across the UK

The initial aims were to supply ~4,000 units of plasma for two clinical trials (REMAP-CAP and RECOVERY), while simultaneously scaling up collection, production and distribution of CP in bulk to hospitals

Phase 2

To put in place a sustainable operating model whilst scaling up collection capacity of CP during a potential 2nd wave

The aim in Phase 2 is to build in additional capacity to collect up to ~7.5k CP units per week in total with a flexible collection footprint to respond to localised outbreaks

Key messages





Phase 1 achievements

- We have now successfully collected ~30k units in total with 8k validated HT units
- The challenge is identifying and recruiting high/medium titre donors
- At current low infection rates trials unlikely to deliver results until early 2021, this could change



Phase 2 objectives

- Scale up capacity to collect up to ~7,500 units per week (i.e. providing no donor supply constraints), to increase our ability to treat patients during a potential second wave
- Short term focus on **retaining medium/high titre donors** and in the medium term **recruiting new donors in** the next wave



Phase 2 activities completed

Increased collection capacity by securing ~100 apheresis machines, agreed 14 new plasma donor centre locations, and recruiting additional staff in collection sites and across the supply chain

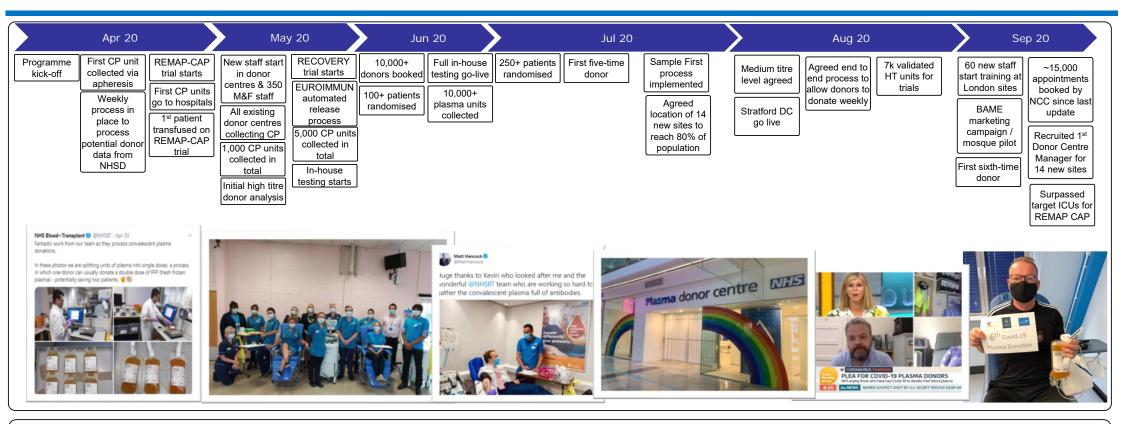


Phase 2 key next steps

- · Recruit and train collection staff (incl. Nurses, DCs and DCMs) and open 14 new plasma donor centres
- Maximise collection and stockpile plasma in advance of second wave
- Launch home sampling pilot to test antibodies in advance of donations
- Agree on how medium titre units are going to be deployed (e.g. 2:1 dosage)
- · Support trials to get to completion
- · Agree protocols for period between trial ending and once stockpile is released

CP Programme progress to date





Achieved by Sept 20:

28,000+ donors booked in

~30k units collected

~1.7k units issued to hospitals

~500 patients randomised across 2 clinical trials

Capacity ramp up | People



		Completed On track	\	of delaying rall programme	AS OF 11 SEPT
Critical path activity	Description	Baseline Date	Actual/ Forecast Date	Current status	Comment
Recruit and on-board dor	nor centre staff for new sites	Wed 21/10/20	Wed 28/10/20		
Nurse recruitment (x71)					
- Engage Partners	Provide detailed resourcing requirements to agencies	Thu 27/08/20	Thu 27/08/20		Complete
- Interview candidates	Interviews being undertaken by Sanctuary	Wed 16/09/20 – Thu 15/10/20	Wed 16/09/20 - Mon 19/10/20		Interview panels being scheduled
- Candidates selected	Offer made to candidate	Thu 17/09/20 – Fri 16/10/20	Mon 24/09/20 – Tues 20/10/20		Planning is still ongoing re phasing of recruitment
- Onboarding	Candidates on boarded	Thu 24/09/20 – 21/10/20	Mon 25/09/20 - Wed 13/11/20		Process is being expanded for BAU
- Induction / training	Candidates completed training	Fri 25/09/20 – Mon 30/11/20	Mon 05/10/20 – Mon 11/12/20		Process known and in place for Nurses
Donor carer recruitment	(x289)				
- Engage Partners	Provide detailed resourcing requirements to agencies	Thu 27/08/20	Thu 27/08/20		Reed recruitment system in place Advertising from 11 Sept onwards.
- Recruitment of candidates begin	Interviews being undertaken by REED	Fri 25/08/20 – Mon 12/10/20	Wed 16/09/20 - Mon 19/10/20		NHSBT will quality check 1 in every 15 interviews. Interviews must start on 16/09/20
- Candidates selected	Offer made to candidate	Mon 14/09/20 - Tues 13/10/20	Mon 24/09/20 – Tues 20/10/20		42 DC required to be confirmed & accepted by 24 th September
- Onboarding	Candidates on boarded	Mon 28/09/20 – Wed 21/10/20	Mon 25/09/20 – Wed 13/11/20		42 DC onboarding completes 4 th October
- Induction / training	Candidates completed training	Tues 29/09/20 – Mon 30/11/20	Mon 05/10/20 – Mon 11/12/20		42 DC begin Induction Training by 5 th October

Capacity ramp up | Venues



		Completed On track Potential risks with mitigating actions	Risk of delaying overall programme	AS OF 11 SEPT
Critical path activity	Baseline Date	Actual/ Forecast Date	Current status	Comment
Complete all searches for new locations	01/09/2020	04/09/2020	•	Complete – Guildford
Select preferred venue at each location	7/09/2020	16/09/2020		Venue assessments commenced 07/09 due to securing access with landlords. Please see path to green slide.
Sign leases or hire agreements	12/10/2020	12/10/2020		
Complete fit out of each location	26/10/2020	26/10/2020	•	
Conduct deep cleaning and temperature mapping	w/c 26/10/2020	w/c 26/10/2020	•	
Operational go-live	02/11/2020	02/11/2020	•	

Capacity ramp up | Machines



Complete	d On track Potential risks v mitigating action		/ A	S OF 11 SEPT
Critical path activity	Baseline Date	Actual/ Forecast Date	Current status	Comment
Raise PO for 100 Devices, 50,000 new modified harnesses, 8,000 existing harnesses	30/07/2020	30/07/2020		Complete
Meet with Scinomed to agree on validation, training, implementation plan and key date	s 30/07/2020	30/07/2020		Complete
Confirm location for Phase 0 and OQ and secure location and collection resources (BN	NS) 29/07/2020	29/07/2020		Complete
Confirm CDL resources and plan for Phase 0	29/07/2020	29/07/2020		Complete
Machines delivered to Scinomed Northampton warehouse	04/09/2020	11/09/2020	•	Complete
Phase 0 validation complete (IQ/VAL 6)	14/09/2020	14/09/2020		
Phase 1 validation complete (OQ/VAL 7)	12/10/2020	12/10/2020		
Commence roll out of Scinomed machines to DCs	12/10/2020	12/10/2020		
Phase 2 validation complete (OQ / VAL 7)	30/10/2020	30/10/2020		
Commence Operational CP Collections with Scinomed machines	02/11/2020	02/11/2020	•	Dependent on availability of new donor centres and trained staff

NHSBT has three key levers available to maximise HT unit production in any given scenario





Acquisition: of contact details of potential donors



Conversion: of available contacts to bookings



Retention: encouraging donors that give H/MT donations to return



Acquisition: To date we have targeted potential donors across four main channels



Activity to date

170,000 web registrations/ inbound calls to date

Earned media

Achieved extensive high profile coverage on broadcast news, breakfast shows, national and regional print and online media including personal stories of our most engaged donors

Over 1,371 items of news coverage (~80% NHSBT generated) 69 pieces and 27M reach per week on average

News has driven **significant peaks of web traffic to website** and web registrations of interest



Partnerships

500 partners engaged with 30M reach

Extensive NHS engagement strategy over **260 NHS** partners engaged to date

Key worker targeting across health, social care, transport and retail sectors **50 partners engaged** / reach of 863K (ex. NHS workers)

Working with commercial employers inc. Barclays, Boots, Sky, ASDA, Morrisons (450K reach)

Engagement with ~140 BAME/faith organisations including City Sikhs, Muslim Council of Britain

Engagement with every LAs, MP and local community near 25 Donor Centres

Materials on **PHE resource centre** which has **160,000 contacts** across the NHS, Local Authorities, charities and commercial partners

Pilot with 35 mosques in Birmingham







Paid media

13.4M estimated reach @ 6.2 frequency (17-66 England adults). £300K + £100K free media space from Facebook

Geotargeted radio, social and search advertising around donor centres

Hyper-local advertising in proximity to hotspots and to reach Asian populations

Male interest targeting e.g. sports

Owned

NHBT websites, social and internal channels promoting plasma donation

1.6M visitors to our **plasma pages** to date - a weekly average of 135K page views

We have targeted our whole blood donor base - ~700K men





Acquisition: Plans in place to scale our impact further in advance of a second wave



Scaling our reach and impact

Earned media

Increased urgency of messaging

Support from PM, SoS and CMO at COVID-19 briefings to promote plasma donation

Key milestones: Trial results, Donor Centre openings, collection milestones

Emotive stories of plasma recipients and donors

Influencer support e.g. Kate Garraway, Hall Cruttenden. Dan Lobb

BBC 🖸 Sign in

NEWS



Partnerships

Access to data from new testing pillars: social care and Moonshot to gain patient contact

Scaled NHS engagement strategy: spanning staff and patient facing channels (expanding to pharmacies, dentists etc)

Extensive key worker partnerships with employers across sectors

NEW Facebook tool (pro bono) promoting available appointments to local community. Launch promotion to all FB users aged 18-65.

Nationwide Local Authority engagement to integrate with local test and trace efforts

National Asian/BAME engagement strategy including national Muslim engagement









Paid media

Always on **geotargeted** radio, social and search advertising **scaled as infections rise**

Agile hotspot targeting; increased flexibility to increase digital spend in hotspots

BT Sports partnership: high profile media partnership leveraging key talent for PR and social

VOD: to increase reach, frequency and impact

Owned

Increased urgency of messaging

Donor get donor strategy

Use of blood and organs channels

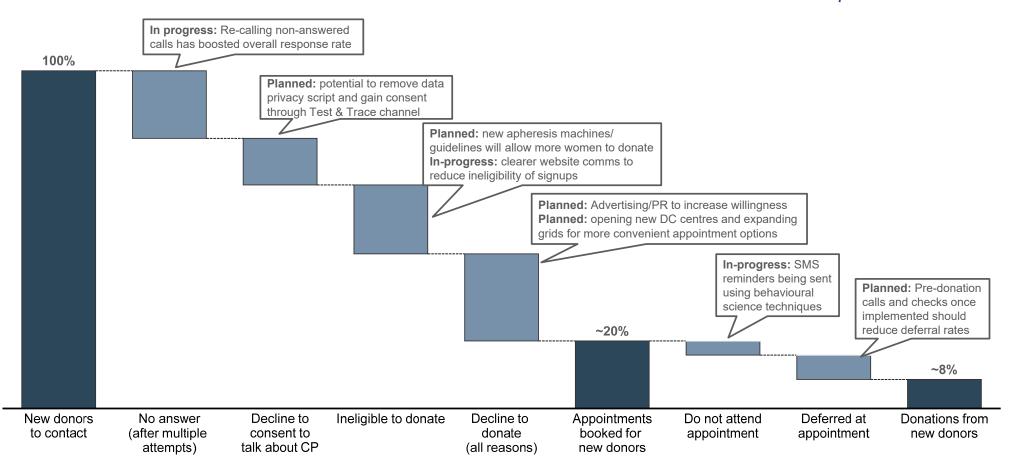






Conversion: Range of initiatives to optimise our contact strategy to increase appointments booked and reduce no-shows

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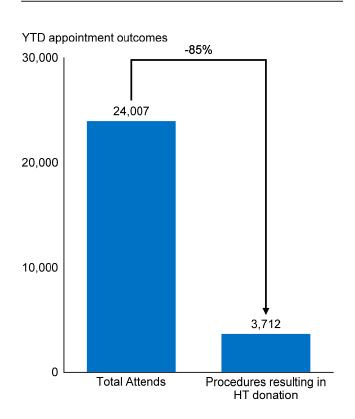




Retention: High titre donors are difficult to find, but have an outsized impact if retained



Only ~15% of appointments result in a HT donation



But HT donors are largely retained and contribute ~65% of HT units collected



First-time HT donors¹
rebook for a follow-up
appointment



 Returning HT donors rebook for follow-up appointments





 HT units collected from w/c 20/07-24/08 were from returning donors²

Set of initiatives are ongoing to further boost retention



Launching loyalty scheme, leveraging best practice from successful First Responders programme



Extensive comms programme to encourage lapsed donors to redonate (18 contact attempts over three weeks)



Roll-out of bedside rebooking (w/ additional supporting staff if needed)



Extending grid of available appointments (to 3+ months)



Comprehensive messaging review across all channels to stress importance of repeat donation



Boosting awareness of importance of retention within donor centres, cross-pollinating best-practice

(1): excludes 16% first-time donors that are ineligible to redonate (2) Includes donors returning from sample-first appointment

Phase 2 risks



Risk

Recruit / retain & train additional staff (front line and mgmt team)



Mitigation

· Recruitment – collaborate with NHS and partners to source suitable and qualified personnel

Training – transform and modernise the approach to training, train additional Trainers, put trainers on to new sites to provide consolidation

Finding and securing new venues



- Leverage existing large mobile sessions (if suitable) as much as possible
- Collaborate with Government and commercial estate specialists (as required)
- · Work at risk where opportunity presents itself for fit out whilst undertaking lease

Supply of consumables not available in time



Working closely with suppliers to give us assurance of on time delivery

Unused / excess plasmapheresis capacity



- Excess capacity at sites could be utilised for:
 - ✓ Plasma for fractionation (subject to MRHA approval and new tender for machines/harnesses)
 - ✓ Stock build ahead of Brexit Jan'21
- Demand for RBCs and plasma likely to go up as hospitals ramp up BAU activities

Demand increases, such that we cannot meet it



- NHSE to design clinical protocol for patient populations
- Potential to use "medium titre" units if evidence shows patient populations could benefit

External Dependencies



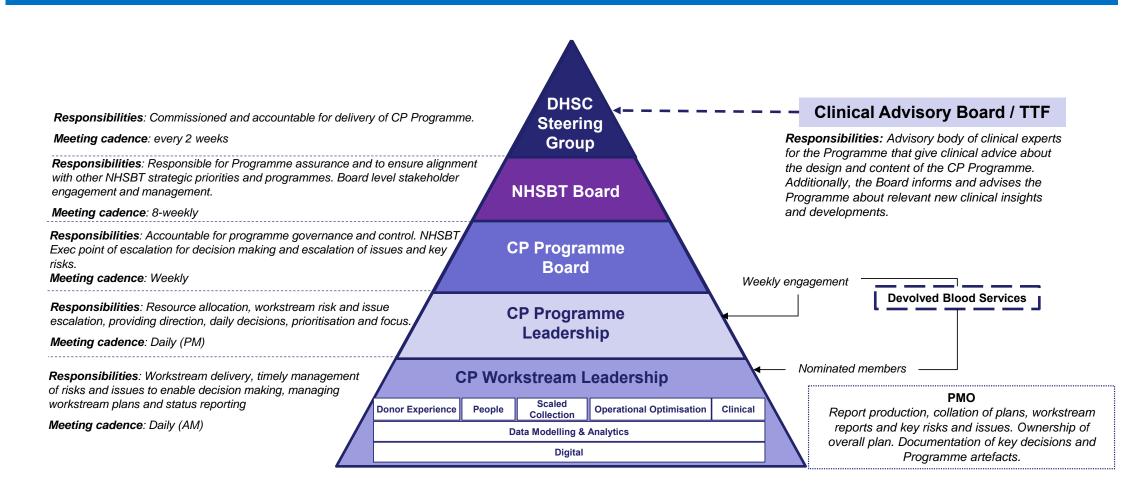
No		Area	Where we could use additional support
1	Trial Recruitment		 Promotion of trials across hospital trusts with CEOs/Research leads across NHS to help recruit remaining ICUs and hospitals to the convalescent plasma arm of the REMAP-CAP and RECOVERY trials Support trial recruitment e.g. targeting a 15% of patients admitted to hospital to be recruited into convalescent plasma arm of trials
2	Enternal Departments	Government promotion of Convalescent Plasma	 Promotion of donation: Signed Secretary of State / Chief Medical Officer letters for NHSBT's high titre donors PM/Ministerial support promoting plasma donation e.g. COVID-19 lectern briefings Promotion of trial: Encourage patients to join the trials
3	External Dependencies	Consent in testing process	 Building convalescent plasma recruitment into developments of programmes such as Project Moon shot and the social care testing programme e.g. consent, data transfer and information for tested patients Individuals to consent to be contacted by NHSBT / and for their contact details sent to be sent to NHSBT if they test positive
4		Convalescent Plasma in discharge protocols	Instruct hospitals to include convalescent plasma information in discharge letter/discharge protocols to hospitals / trusts
5	Proposed response	Steering Committee	We propose strengthening the membership and remit of the steering committee to address these cross system issues



Appendix

Governance for Phase 2 (updated projects & workstreams)





Programme Finance



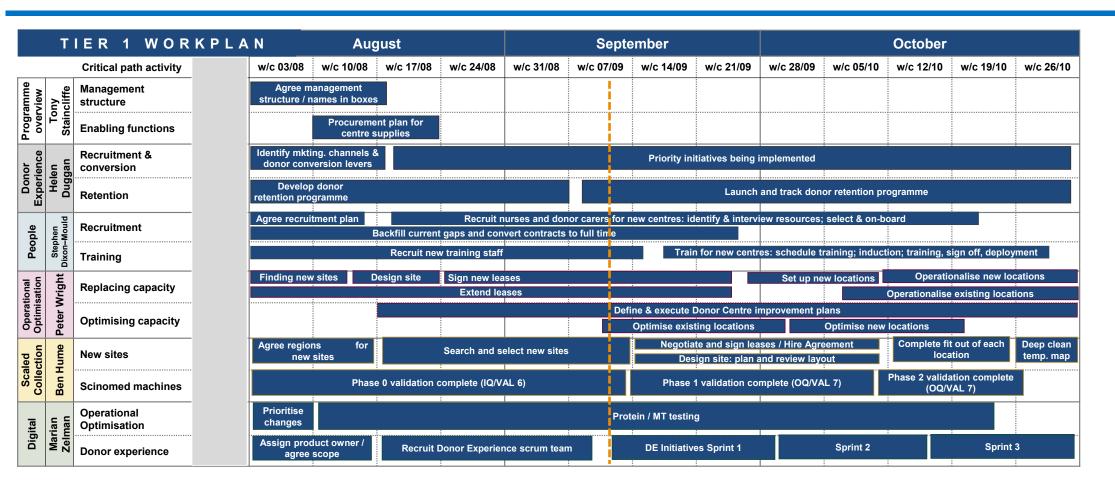
Initial Target Scenario 85,000 units	Estimate Provided to DHSC (£'K)	Forecast total cost (£'K)	Currently Incurred (£'K)	Comment
Project Staffing including Deloitte	£1,500	£2,100	£1,831	Deloitte to end Oct
Temporary Donor Centres	£500	£1,000	£849	Additional rent and equipment costs
Freezers	£500	£875	£565	
Storage & Distibution	£0	£800	£651	Freight, Transport Boxes, Warehousing
Donation Couches	£250	£122	£122	Based on 35 chairs + 30 adaptive pads
Other one-off costs	£0	£600	£514	Including 4 x DS2 Analysers
TOTAL PROJECT/ SET-UP COSTS	£2,750	£5,497	£4,532	
Test Kits	£2,580	£1,082	£498	Micro, NAT, HLA/HPA Antibody, COVID antibody
Consumables	£3,615	£1,923	£1,300	Harness, Transfer Packs etc.
MTHS Staff	£310	£314	249	30 WTE until 31/10
H&I Staff	£0	£340	181	Charged at £23 per test
Blood Donation Staff	£2,975	£4,200	2,876	310 Additional WTE until 31/10
TOTAL PRODUCTION COSTS	£9,480	£7,859	6,901	
Donor Recruitment (Based on £50 per donor)	£2,125	£2,459	£1,480	Includes cost of NCC Agents & Allowance for Marketing
CONTIGENCY	£3,590		_	25%
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	£17,945	£15,815	£12,913	

Forecast difference to Estimate	£M
Contingency	£3.6
HLA / HPA Typing not required	£1.4
Consumables	£1.7
Temporary Donor Centres	-£0.5
Project Staffing	-£0.6
Donor Recruitment costs	-£0.3
Storage and Distibution	-£0.8
Staff Costs	-£1.6
Freezer Costs	-£0.4
Additional PHE Testing Costs	-£0.1
Other one of Costs	-£0.6
Other	£0.3
Total Difference	£2.1

- Forecast spend for phase 1 remains stable at £15.8M
- Project now forecast to use £1.5M of £3.6M contingency in Phase 1.



Phase 2: Tier 1 Work plan





Donor recruitment summary

Summary of activity so far

- The Donor Experience team is responsible for **filling donation slots with the highest proportion of high and medium titre donors** through attracting, converting and retaining our active donor base
- Acquisition: Primary focus is on acquiring direct contact details of patients who have been tested and hospitalised (140K total leads) but this is not
 enough to fill slots so we are boosting our recruitment efforts through: hyper targeted PR and paid activity in hot spots and around donor centres; major
 partnership strategy with NHS, Local Authorities, employers and commercial brands; engagement with blood and organs donors through NHSBT
 channels, resulting in 170K self generated leads
- Conversion: We have booked in 17K unique donors (~8% of leads generated); 35-40% of leads do not pass health checks so we are selectively focusing our efforts on converting high and medium titre donors (both active and lapsed) through a significant comms effort dedicated to lapsed donors, improving call centres scripts, and SMS reminders to keep no-show rates down as well as prep phone calls ahead of appointments from last week
- **Retention:** We are bolstering our retention capabilities, ensuring we get more donors to come back and come back quicker, currently 67% of HT donors re-book for a second appointment with a median delay of 20 days¹; activities include launching loyalty programmes, encouraging onsite rebooking and extending slot availability
- We have built an active HT donor base, made up of both new donors (~35%) and existing / retained donors (~65%2)
 - Recent evidence suggests that titre levels drop slower than we had originally thought (~1 level every three weeks), thus the importance of retaining donors
 - A very small proportion of people who have had COVID-19 will currently have high titre levels. However, repeat donors now deliver the majority of our HT units collected (~65% of total HT units), which is why we need to focus our energies on improving retention

Short-term focus

- For the short term (next ~4 weeks), **there will be very few new donors** coming through our doors due to low levels of infection; this has resulted in a lower number of donation appointments in recent weeks and has allowed us to lend some capacity to whole blood collection without impacting our ability to collect from our active donor base
- We are using this time to prepare for a possible second wave: build a robust retention engine, book media campaigns and build partnerships, ensuring that in a second wave scenario we are filling available slot capacity with the highest quality donors

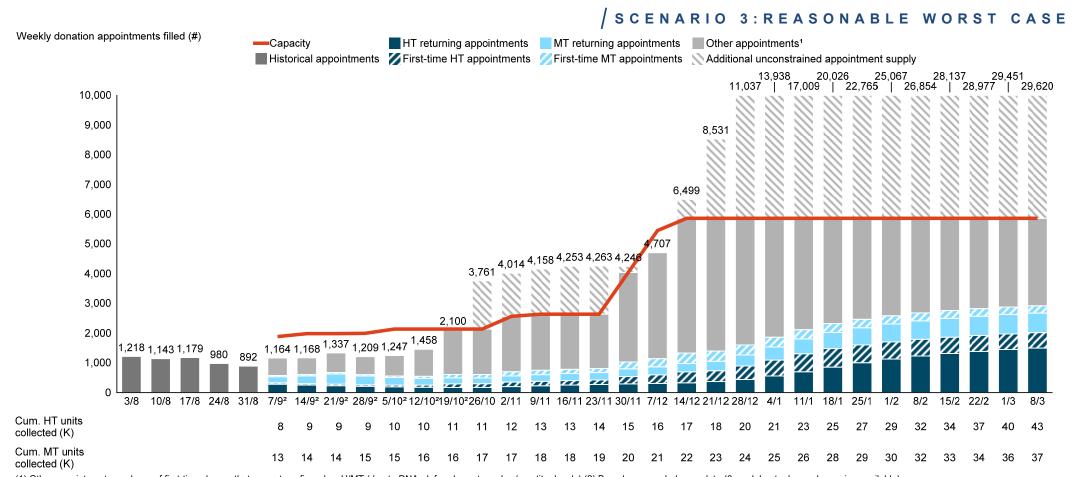
Mediumterm focus

• Looking ahead, given the uncertainty of a future wave, we have developed a series of forecast scenarios and will **proactively deploy our marketing** spend in reaction to latest trends and local infection spikes, balancing investment to ensure we garner public interest at the right moments

Notes: (1) Excludes ~16% of HT donors that are ineligible to rebook (2) For w/c 20/07-24/08

SAGE RWC: growth in available donor pool surpasses capacity before the end of the year





(1) Other appointments made up of first-time donors that are not confirmed as H/MT (due to DNA, deferral, wastage, low/neg titre levels) (2) Based on recorded case data (6 week lag to donors becoming available)

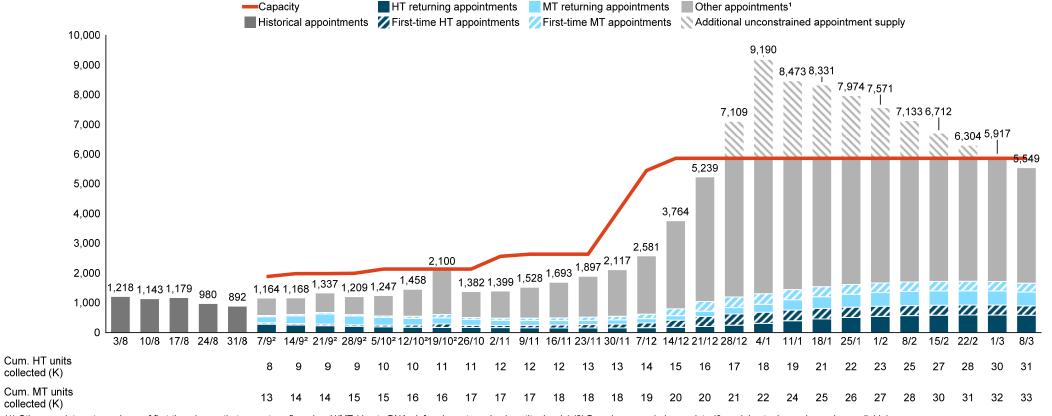
Note: Capacity target includes loans to WB in Sept & Oct; excludes sample-first pathway (SF confirmed HT/MT donors classified as returning donors); assumption that rate of HT donor confirmed per new booking increases from ~7% to ~14% in Q1'21



SAGE Winter resurgence: supply exceeds capacity by Q1 '21

SCENARIO 2: WINTER RESURGENCE

Weekly donation appointments filled (#)

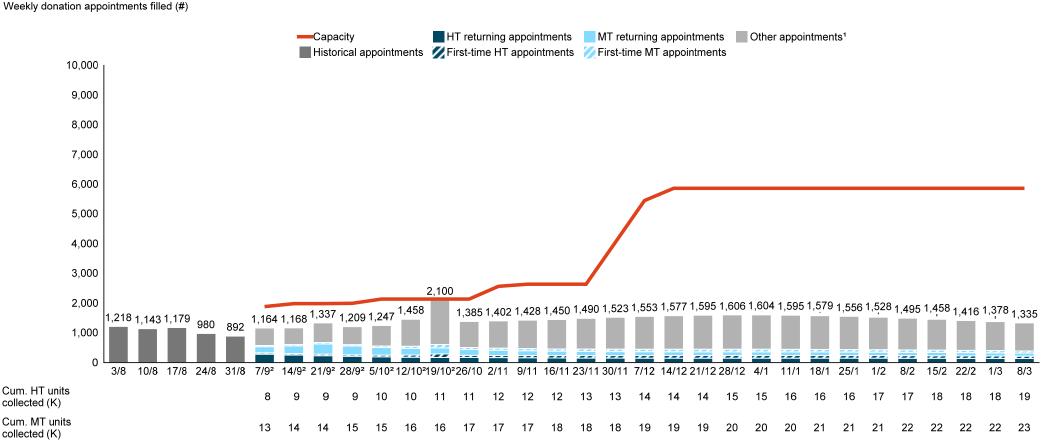


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SAGE Low incidence: reduced case rates limit volume of available donors, scaled appointment capacity not filled



SCENARIO 1: LOW INCIDENCE



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Acquisition: Birmingham mosques pilot



- Activation 11th 25th September
- Engaging 25 high profile Birmingham mosques with combined reach +1m British Muslims
- Co-created campaign, with ownership and buy-in from participating mosques
- Each mosque to record short videos Imam sharing message about plasma donation or a person that has registered to donate encouraging others
- Quoting the Qur'an "Whoever saves one life, it is as if he saved all of humanity..."
- #mosquesplasmadrive









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Plasma
Drive

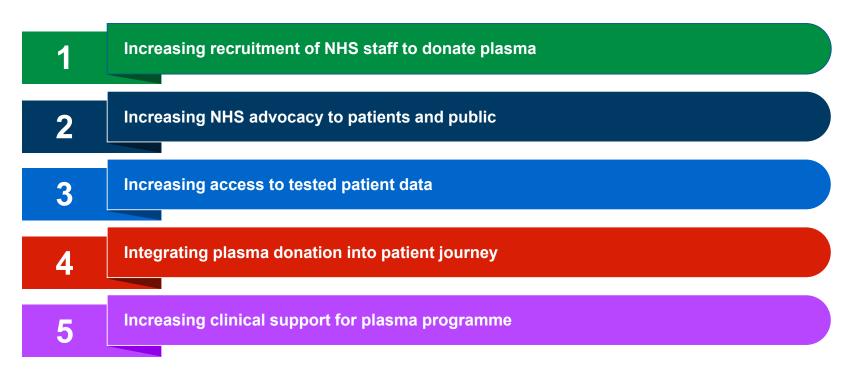
If you're of Asian heritage and you've had COVID-19,
your plasma donation is more likely to have
high antibody levels which could save lives.

To register visit: nhsbt.nhs.u

NHS Engagement



Five key objectives:



1. Increasing recruitment of NHS staff to donate plasma



Key actions completed to date: c260 NHS organisations engaged to date



Letter to all NHS Trust CMOs: personal letter from Gail Milfin asking for support to recruit staff donate plasma (end of August)

NHS Hospitals, community Trusts, ambulance trusts, and CCGs comms teams provided with toolkit of assets to plasma donation to staff

Trust CEOs near DCs approached with request for support and toolkit.

170 trial hospital research teams provided with toolkit to promote to their staff

In-depth pilots: outreach to Barts and other Trusts to do in-depth recruitment drive

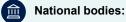


NHS clinician contacts provided with recruitment toolkit including SNODS, Transfusion labs, consultants and chairs of hospital transfusion committees

Email to all GP practices, Local Medical Councils and GP federations in radius of Donor Centres encouraging them to donate plasma (6 weeks ago)

NHS Workforce COVID App: push messages asking for donors

NHS regional testing team: requests to staff members to donate plasma



National bodies: NHSEI, NHSD, NHS Confederation, NHS property, NHS Employers, PHE, DHSC, NHSBT contacted and promoting plasma through internal channels.

NHS ALBs: comms contacts briefed and provided with toolkit of assets

Royal Colleges: comms contacts briefed and provided with toolkit assets

PHE Campaign resource centre: toolkit of resources with reach to large number of NHS, pharmacy and GP contacts

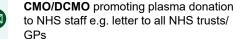
NHS Unions: engaged and provided with comms toolkit

ΩΩ Engaging and supporting NHS staff:

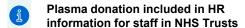
NHS donors prioritised by call centre to ensure they are booked in

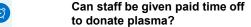
National news coverage and social media content prominently featuring case studies of NHS donors to create social norm

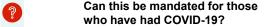
Asks to support our next steps



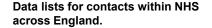
Trust CEOs actively promoting plasma donation to staff

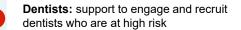














2. Increasing NHS/system advocacy to patients and public Blood and Transplant



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NHS Hospitals, community Trusts, ambulance trusts and CCGs comms teams provided with toolkit of assets to promote plasma donation, extra focus on areas with higher infection rates

170 trial hospital research teams provided with toolkit

Leaflets available for free to all NHS Trusts



NHS clinician contacts provided with recruitment toolkit including SNODS, Transfusion labs, consultants and chairs of hospital transfusion committees

Email to all GP practices, Local Medical Councils and GP federations in radius of Donor Centres (6 weeks ago)

Asian plasma recruitment toolkit provided to clinicians to use for community engagement e.g. places of worship

Webinars with NBTC and wider clinical community

Briefings on media messaging for key clinicians



Plasma donation facilitated for the SoS

NHSEI, NHSD, NHS Confederation, NHS property, NHS Employers, PHE, DHSC, NICE, NHSBT etc contacted and promoting plasma through owned channels and stakeholder updates

NHS ALBs: comms contacts briefed and provided with toolkit of assets

Asian doctors groups: BAPIO, BIDA, BIMA, Muslim Doctors contacted with assets for clinicians to share in their communities.

Royal Colleges: comms contacts briefed and provided with toolkit assets

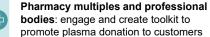
PHE Campaign resource centre/NHSBT hub: toolkit of resources with reach to large number of NHS, pharmacy and GP contacts

All MPs and Local Authorities engaged and provided with comms toolkit in proximity of Donor Centres

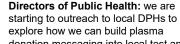
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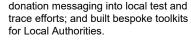
Blood donor base: direct contact to recruit plasma donors

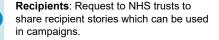
Asks to support our next steps



Dentists: engage and create toolkit promoting plasma donation to patients







NHSE: senior direction for trusts to support.



3. Increasing access to tested patient data



Key actions completed to date:



Pillar 1: regular tested patient data from NHSD



Pillar 2: regular tested patient data NHSD and texts to people after recovery with donation link



Pillar 3: contact data poor. Ongoing conversations with PHE/NHSD



GP data: GP data – agreement to receive patient contact details for those who are recorded as having had COVID-19



Zoe App: weekly messages are being sent to symptomatic users of the app

Asks to support our next steps



Social care testing: we need to build consent to contact people and messaging into this testing programme. Initial conversation with Tom Fowler this week who has emailed colleagues.



Operation Moonshot: we need to build consent to contact people and messaging into this testing programme, for example leaflets in with the test kit. Initial conversation with Tom Fowler this week who has emailed colleagues.



Consent to contact patients for pillar 1/2: explore getting consent built into testing process; and additional information on plasma given to patients at point of testing/results. Ensuring that this does not negatively affect the 84% consent rate we have achieved to date



Pillar 4: contact at DHSC to explore any untapped potential to access data



Pillar 1 and 2 Wording: Explore potential for changes to the legal wording which we currently must use to start any call using NHSD supplied data



Whole of market private testing mapping so that we can integrate plasma messaging

4.Integrating plasma donation into patient journey



Key actions completed to date:



Links on key COVID websites: Nhs.uk; gov.uk, YourCOVIDRecovery.nhs.uk (these are driving high value traffic to registration from); NIHR; NHS Employers; some trusts.



DWP Isolation Note: Agreement for online journey to be updated with plasma donation information.



NHS App: Agreement to push plasma message in September.

Asks to support our next steps



Test and trace / 119: opportunities to enhance plasma messaging in these channels



Guidance: Including plasma information on NHS pages aimed at people exploring information around such as the self isolation and test and trace pages at nhs.uk



Links: All trusts asked to add plasma donation link to their coronavirus website pages.



GP texts: Support to include plasma donation information in GP practice texts.



GOV.UK: Including plasma donation on website page on stay at home guidance.



Volunteer responders: Support to include plasma donation information in services provided by NHS Volunteer Responders



NHS Employers support guidance: Seek inclusion of plasm donation on their website support page



Approach the UCL Virus Watch programme for support with tested participants

5. Increasing clinical support for the plasma programme



Key actions completed to date:



Hospitals:

Letter to all NHS Trust CMOs: personal letter from Gail Milfin asking for support (August)

NHS Hospitals, community Trusts and CCGs comms teams provided with toolkit of assets to promote plasma donation, extra focus on areas with higher infection rates.

170 trial hospital research teams provided with toolkit



Other NHS:

NHS clinician contacts provided with recruitment toolkit including SNODS, Transfusion labs and clinicians

Email to all GP practices, Local Medical Councils and GP federations in radius of Donor Centres (6 weeks ago)

Asian plasma recruitment toolkit provided to clinicians to use for community engagement e.g. places of worship

Webinars with NBTC and wider clinical community

Clinical articles and blogs for NHSD, NHSE, NHS Confederation and BBTS



National bodies:

NHSEI, NHSD, NHS Confederation, NHS property, NHS Employers, PHE, DHSC, NICE, NHSBT etc promoting plasma through owned channels and stakeholder updates.

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GPs: Including plasma donation information in the CKS.

RECOVERY: Support for hospitals to participate including the plasma arm.



Discharge: Embedding plasma donation into the patient discharge and follow-up care process.



Guidance: Plasma donation information in NHSE clinician information on COVID at nhs.uk