

REMAP-CAP: Immunoglobulin Therapy Domain Update

Total number of hospitals open to this domain:

121

Patients randomised:

1,016

Highest recruiting hospitals:

Hospital	Date Opened	Number of patients randomised into the domain
Russells Hall	30/06/2020	79
Royal Stoke Hospital	27/05/2020	40
Leicester Royal Infirmary	14/05/2020	34
North Middlesex	10/08/2020	30
Countess of Chester	10/09/2020	26
City Hospital Birmingham	02/07/2020	26

Important Safety Information from SHOT:

- Please see guidance from SHOT. On slides 2 and 3
- Link to TACO Checklist and additional guidance: <https://www.shotuk.org/reporting/covid-19-convalescent-plasma-trial-reporting/>



Refresher Training Session:

- There will be an Immunoglobulin Therapy Domain refresher training session, taking place on **Tuesday 8th December** at **10:00**.
- The calendar invite for this session is attached to this email.

REMAP-CAP Supplies

Please email CTU@nhsbt.nhs.uk to request more supplies:



Daily Randomisation Numbers



If you have any queries relating to this domain, please contact Emma Laing (emma.laing@nhsbt.nhs.uk / 07471 147868) or Amy Evans (amy.evans@nhsbt.nhs.uk / 07764 280175) at NHSBT CTU.

COVID-19 Convalescent Plasma Safety Checks

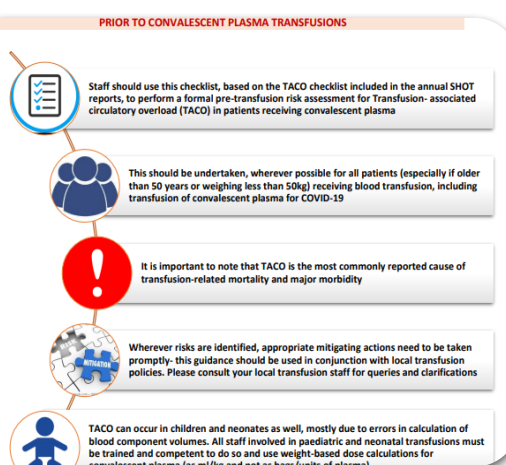
Following review of data reported to the Serious Hazards of Transfusion (SHOT) haemovigilance scheme, recurring errors regarding administration of COVID-19 convalescent plasma (CCP) have been noted. **An administration checklist is compulsory prior to each and every transfusion to ensure the right component is given to the right patient at the right time. Review your local practices and carry out the checks below to ensure patient safety.**



1. Check whether the patient has been randomised to receive CCP before administering



2. Authorise (prescribe) each unit of CCP individually. CCP is a blood component and should be authorised/prescribed as a transfusion episode. Never use a recurring prescription for CCP.



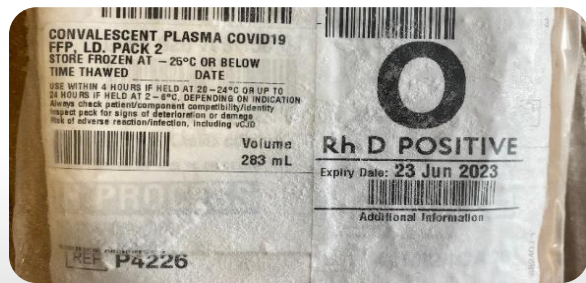
3. Use the TACO checklist prior to transfusion of EACH unit

- a. Does the patient need additional support?
- b. Should the transfusion be delayed?
- c. Is transfusion of CCP no longer in the patient's best interest?

The TACO checklist and guidance for CCP can be found here

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4. Check whether the component provided is CCP or if standard fresh frozen plasma has been provided incorrectly



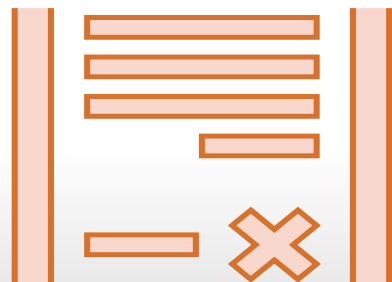
5. Check whether the CCP is compatible for the patient's blood group
(Note that the group O CCP should be administered only to group O recipients)



6. Review the patient between transfusions

a. Is this still the correct course of treatment?

b. Follow trial protocol: The second transfusion should not be given if patient has a suspected serious adverse reaction during or after the first transfusion



7. Ensure accurate, timely documentation of CCP administration, with clear handover regarding whether unit 1/2 or 2/2 has been transfused

