



Blood and Transplant

The Update for March 2022

Reminder: Access to learnbloodtransfusion (LBT) elearning data

NHSBT supported access to the learnPro platform will cease on 1 April 2022.

Unfortunately, it is not possible to transfer data from learnPro to e-LfH /ESR, so please ensure you download your data in advance of this date.

Anne Davidson - Education Lead, Patient Blood Management Practitioner Team

Blood stocks: smarter inventory management

Register your interest for our free education event; our latest publication; new daily blood stocks web page

This year the Blood Stocks Management Scheme team are running an online event on inventory management aimed at qualified blood transfusion hospital laboratory staff.

Content includes inventory management tips, utilization of VANESA and data tools, setting appropriate stock levels and minimizing wastage, interactive component selection quizzes and scenario-based case studies, providing a valuable, fun learning experience with a bespoke element.

The level of interest has already been extremely high - with all planned dates for this year fully booked, so we are running more courses (2022 and 2023). To be added to the waiting list please register your interest by emailing BSMS@nhsbt.nhs.uk with your contact details, job title, the name of the hospital you represent.

[See the course outline](#)

We also want to invite you to read our latest publication which is a [best practice guide](#) for inventory management. The guide is also available on the new [blood stocks levels](#) page which is updated daily, Monday to Friday.

Jill Caulfield - Lead Specialist, Blood Stocks Management Scheme

Accessing the publication Blood and Transplant Matters

Blood and Transplant Matters was published from June 2001 to March 2019. If you wish to view copies, please email Lynne Hodkin (lynne.hodkin@nhsbt.nhs.uk).

Dr Robert Webster, Consultant Haematologist

Fetal RHD screening - change to primary tube testing

Following a Continuous Improvement event, IBGRL Molecular Diagnostics is changing the way the samples are processed. We are removing the freezing step and moving to a fully automated process. This will reduce errors associated with the manual process.

We need you to:

1. Only place your laboratory barcodes on the referral form (not on the sample tube) or follow the guidance on acceptable placement of the hospital barcode label on sample tubes (see guidance below).
2. Please provide one ≥ 6 mL EDTA tube for this test

The related documents have been updated:

- [Barcode label information for fetal RHD screening samples PDF \(552KB\)](#)
- [Fetal RHD Screening Service User Guide \(PDF 238KB\)](#) (INF1259)
- [Fetal RHD Screening Referral Form \(PDF 111KB\)](#) (FRM5197)
- [Guidance for completion of FRM5197 \(PDF 147KB\)](#)(INF1340)

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