The Royal College of Pathologists
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ISBT International Society of Blood Transfusion

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF SHOT

Advances in Transfusion Medicine Symposium

There are exciting ongoing developments in transfusion medicine and science with high-quality research supporting evidence-based practice. This virtual meeting will be held over 2 half days and has been organised on behalf of the Royal College of Pathologists in collaboration with the Serious Hazards of Transfusion (SHOT) UK Haemovigilance Scheme. The meeting brings together experts from various clinical disciplines with leaders in transfusion science to provide an update on key developments. The meeting will be of interest to all those involved in transfusion medicine.

Day 1 Wednesday 25 November

9.30 Welcome – Professor Sarah Coupland, President, Royal College of Pathologists

Clinical transfusion challenges – Chairs: Professor Victoria Chalker and Shubha Allard

9.35 Effective optimisation for surgery (POA and TxA use) – Professor Ramani Moonesinghe

9.55 Blood supply resilience to support patients – Lise Estcourt

10.15 Transfusing haematology patients, evidence and questions – Katie Hands

10.35 Open questions

10.45 Break

Evidence based transfusion – Chairs: Professor Cheng-Hock Toh and Caroline Evans

11.00 Blood in the field: separate or combined components – Professor Laura Green

11.20 Paediatric transfusion and updated BSH guidelines – Anne Kelly

11.40 Real-world data on the burden of anaemia and addressing iron deficiency in pregnancy – Professor Simon Stanworth and Professor David Churchill

12.00 Open questions

Focus on education – Chairs: Fiona Miall and Susan Cottrell

12.10 Influencing curricula and training – Suzy Morton

12.25 Pathology Portal update – Jon Massie

12.32 Towards UK clinical transfusion training standards – Jane Graham

12.40 Open questions

12.50 Presentation of the Percy Oliver Award (Lay category)

13.00 Close

Day 2 Thursday 26 November

9.30 Welcome to Day 2 and opening remarks – Shubha Allard

Transfusion safety – Chairs: Professor John Forsythe and Elisabeth Buggins

9.35 30 years of SHOT – Shruthi Narayan

9.55 Infected Blood Inquiry – learning from the past – Professor Victoria Chalker

10.15 RCPath Cameron Lecture – Safety of blood tissue and organs – looking to the future – Su Brailsford

10.35 Open questions

10.45 Break

Transforming transfusion – overview – Chairs: Dame Sue Hill and Rommel Ravanan

11.00 A new Transformation plan for England – Youssef Sorour and Louise Sherliker

11.15 From inquiry to improvement in Scotland – Julie Gillies

11.25 National PBM approach in Wales – Indu Thakar

11.35 Northern Ireland perspective – Damien Carson

11.45 Open questions

Transforming transfusion – facing challenges together – Chairs: Professor Renata Gomes and Dr Megan Rowley

11.55 Genotyping – from rhetoric to practice – Professor Dave Roberts

12.15 Meaningful patient engagement – Anna Mamwell

12.25 Transfusion Practitioner Framework – from co-design to practice – Jennifer Rock

12.35 Tackling lab workforce challenges – Kerry Dowling

12.50 Open questions

13.00 Close

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