



Blood and Transplant



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An Unexpected Journey

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Serious Hazards Of Transfusion

SHOT

The History and Development of The UK National Health Service 1948 - 1999

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Until the 1990s the general management of the NHS was strictly controlled from the centre although clinical autonomy remained sacrosanct and little attention was paid to the processes of care that determine the major costs of providing healthcare.

1970's

- Many layers of decision making – regional & area health authorities managed by boards
- Decisions by consensus
- Increasing costs

1979 Thatcher government

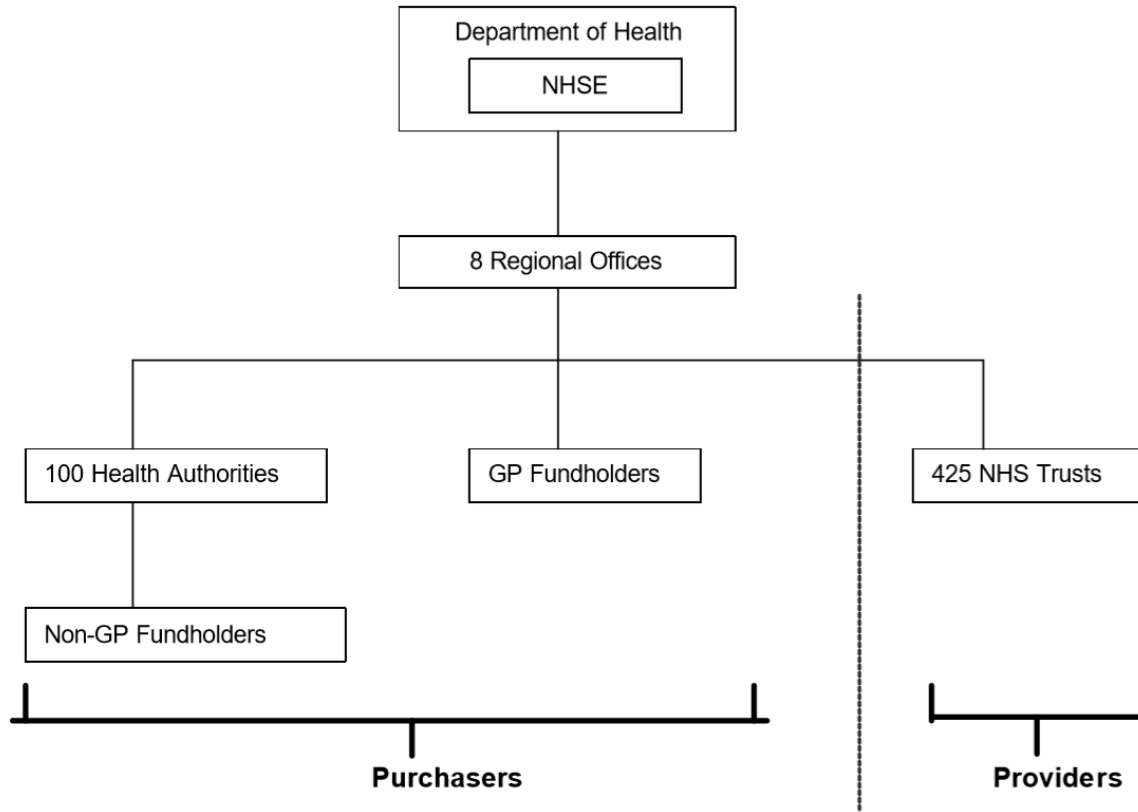
- Area management layer removed
- General managers → clear leadership, 1 individual at every level taking responsibility
- Clinical & professional staff accountable to manager – **except consultants**

1989 “Working for Patients”

- Introduced to address ↑ costs & promote competition to incentivise efficient, popular hospitals

The 1990's "Working for patients"

Figure 4 Structure of NHS in England, 1996



Recommendations

The introduction of an "internal market" through the **separation of providing services from purchasing** (or commissioning) them.

The promotion of **medical audit** and **job plans for consultants**.

Objectives

To reward efficient and popular providers; to create competition to improve the standards of service.

To increase the accountability of hospital doctors, including their clinical performance.

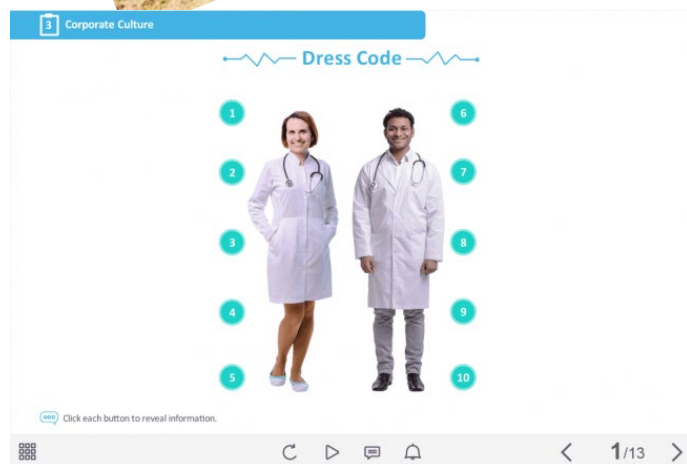
The 1997 reforms: "The new NHS. Modern. Dependable"

Clinical Governance
National Institute for Clinical Excellence
Commission for Health Improvement

Patient Charter
Care in the Community

Calman Reforms -standardise & improve
medical training
European Union Directive on Working
Hours

Dress code & ward



Technology

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE ARCHIVE

Pneumocystis carinii Pneumonia and Mucosal Candidiasis in Previously Healthy Homosexual Men — Evidence of a New Acquired Cellular Immunodeficiency

Michael S. Gottlieb, M.D., Robert Schroff, Ph.D., Howard M. Schanker, M.D., Joel D. Weisman, D.O., Peng Thim Fan, M.D., Robert A. Wolf, M.D., and Andrew Saxon, M.D.

- 1988 – Breast screening introduced
- 1988 - MMR jab introduced to replace single vaccines
- 1983 – HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, is identified



Clinical and Vaccine
Immunology



Human Immunodeficiency Virus Diagnostic Testing: 30 Years of Evolution

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HIV Assay Diagnostic Testing Evolution				
Assay progression	Indirect ELISA (HIV-1,2)		Sandwich ELISA (HIV-1,2 IgG & IgM)	
	Signal	Ab-conjugate	Ag-conjugate	Patient IgM
Year	1985	1987	1991	1991
Generation	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
Antigen (Ag) Source	Virus Infected Cell Lysate	Lysate & Recombinant	Recombinant & Synthetic peptides	Recombinant & Synthetic peptides
Specificity	95-98%	>99%	>99.5%	99.5%
Sensitivity	99%	>99.5%	>99.5%	>99.8%
Negative Window	8-10 weeks	4-6 weeks	2-3 weeks	2 weeks
Detects Antibody (Ab) and Ag	IgG Anti HIV-1	IgG anti HIV-1 and IgG anti HIV-2	IgG and IgM anti HIV-1, HIV-2 and Group O. Also detects HIV-1 p24 Ag	IgG and IgM anti HIV-1, HIV-2 and Group O. Also detects HIV-1 p24 Ag
Results	Single result	Single result	Single result	Single result; does not differentiate Ab from Ag positivity
Confirming Tests	HIV-1 western blot (WB) or immunofluorescence (IFA)	HIV-1 WB or IFA, HIV-2 ELISA and WB if HIV-1 confirm is negative	HIV-1 WB or IFA, HIV-2 ELISA and WB if HIV-1 confirm is negative	HIV-1.2 differentiation Assay followed by qualitative HIV-1 RNA PCR if differentiation assay is negative

FIG 3 Schematic representation of the 30-year evolution of HIV diagnostic assays.

News



Transfusion Medicine



Apheresis unit Bristol



Better Blood

Transfusion



Health Service Circular

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Issue date: 11 December 1998
Review date: 11 December 2001
Category: Clinical Effectiveness
Status: Action
sets out a specific action on the part of the recipients

Better Blood Transfusion

For action by:
Health Authorities (England): Chief Executives
Health Authorities (England): Directors of Public Health
NHS Trusts: Chief Executives
NHS Trusts: Medical Directors
NHS Trusts: Nursing Directors
Medical Schools: Deans
Post Graduate Deans

For information to:
NHSE Regional Offices: Directors of Public Health
NHSE Regional Offices: Directors of Finance
Chief Executive: National Blood Authority
Medical Director: National Blood Authority
Professional Associations and Royal Colleges

Health Service Circular

Series Number: HSC 2002/009
Issue Date: 04 July 2002
Review Date: 04 July 2005
Category: Public Health
Status: Action
sets out a specific action on the part of the recipient with a deadline where appropriate

Better Blood Transfusion

Appropriate Use of Blood

Health Service Circular

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Better Blood Transfusion

Safe and Appropriate Use of Blood

Action

4. From March 1999, all NHS Trusts where blood is transfused should:
 - ensure that hospital transfusion committees are in place to oversee all aspects of blood transfusion
 - participate in the annual SHOT enquiry
5. By March 2000, all NHS Trusts where blood is transfused should:
 - have agreed and disseminated local protocols for blood transfusion, based on guidelines and best national practice, and supported by in house training
 - have explored the feasibility of autologous blood transfusion and ensured that where appropriate, patients are aware of this option. In particular they should have considered the introduction of perioperative cell salvage (PCS)
6. Clinicians, NHS Trusts and health commissioners should collaborate in taking forward these recommendations to develop a first class blood transfusion service.

Summary

This Health Service Circular replaces HSC 1998/224 *Better Blood Transfusion* and sets out a new programme of action for the NHS to:

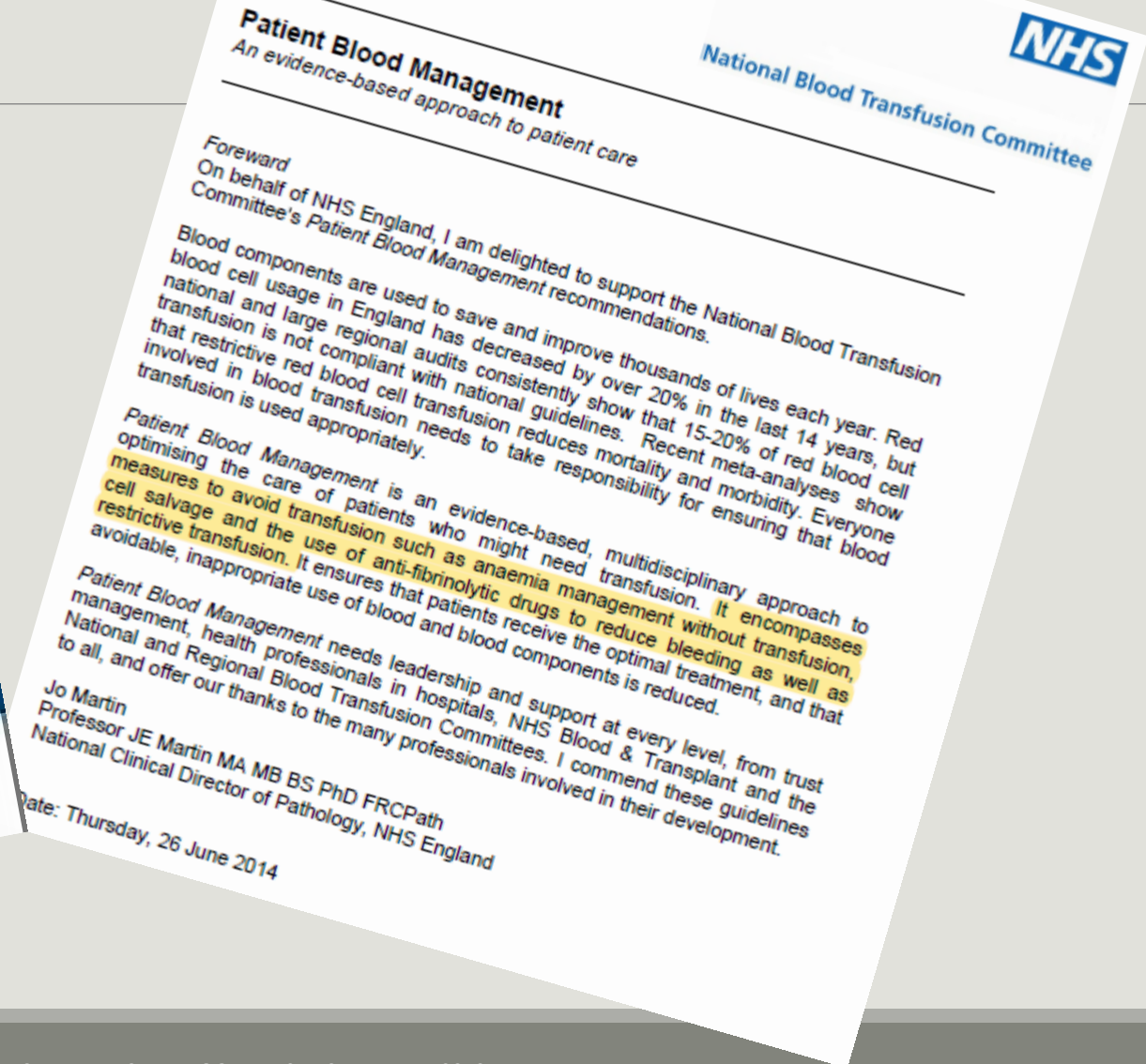
- Ensure that *Better Blood Transfusion* is an integral part of NHS care
- As part of clinical governance responsibilities, make blood transfusion safer
- Avoid unnecessary use of blood in clinical practice
- Provide better information to patients and the public about blood transfusion

The programme of action should be considered in conjunction with Annex A of this circular that provides further detail on implementation.

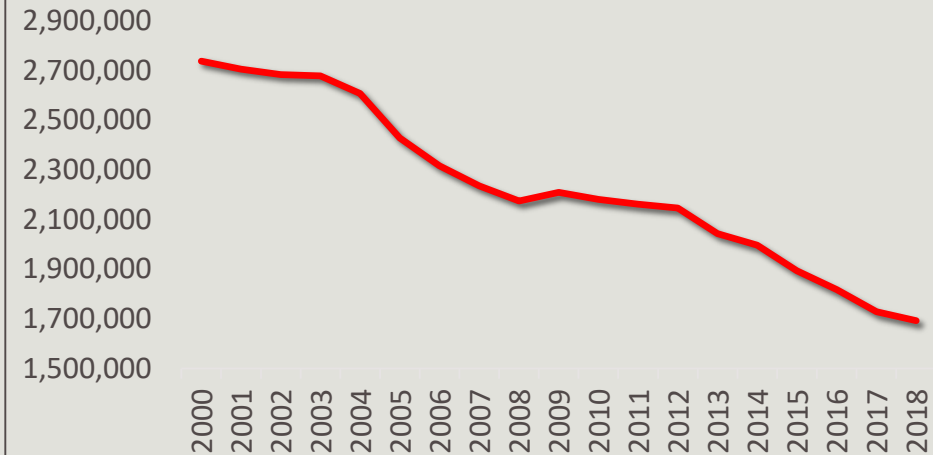
There is an expectation that implementation/compliance to this guidance will be subject to inspection by CHI or its successor organisation.

A toolkit to assist Trusts is being developed and will be placed on the *Better Blood Transfusion* website and will include access to national guidance, patient leaflets and examples of good practice.

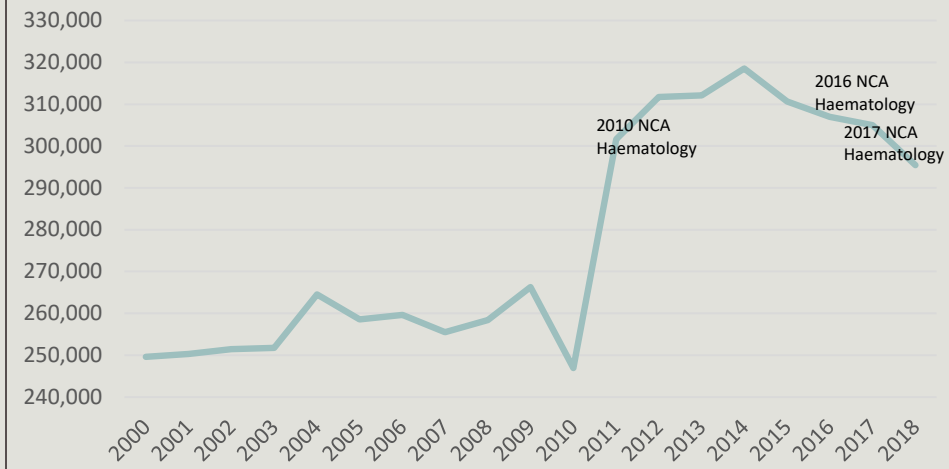
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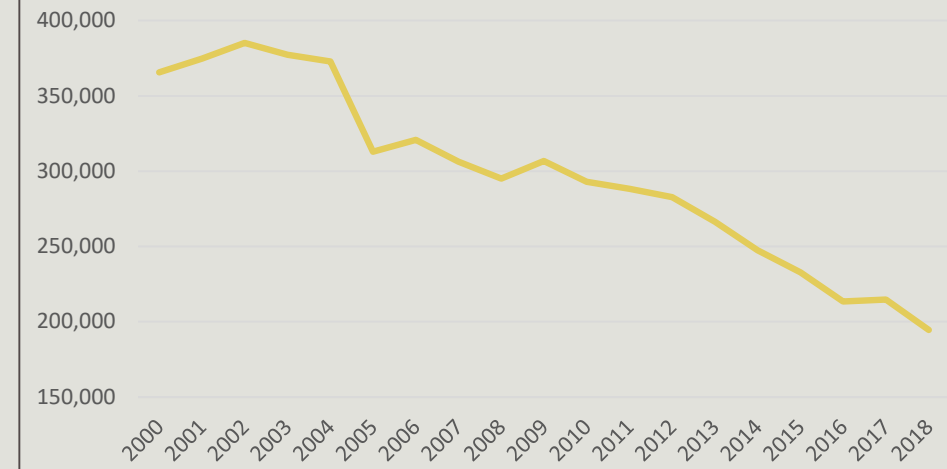
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UK Platelet Issues 2000 - 2018



UK FFP Issues 2000 - 2018



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South West RTC Use of rFVIIa

Hospital Stocks		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Non-Haemophilia	1-5	12	11	11	12	12	12	10	9	10	9	5	
	6-10	2	3	2	12	12	10	9	10	9	5		
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ORIGINAL PAPER

Platelet transfusions in haematology patients: are we using them appropriately?

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Appropriate use of Platelets across blood groups

Although overall demand for platelets has recently increased, requests for A, D-negative platelets remain high and not readily met in shortage areas. This may be caused by hospitals relying on group A platelets as stock in preference to group O platelets to reduce the risk of haemolysis in non-O recipients transfused from group A platelets.

There is however evidence of potential harm to patients who receive group A platelets when transfused from group A platelets. This may be caused by hospitals relying on group A platelets as stock in preference to group O platelets to reduce the risk of haemolysis in non-O recipients transfused from group A platelets.

The purpose of this document is to encourage hospitals to develop practices which maximise the use of group O platelets for patients of any blood group, ABO and D identical should always be used.

The use of platelets of a different group should be limited to patients where the blood group is unknown, when specific requirements are necessary or to prevent wastage due to time expiry.

Recommendations

When ordering standard platelets for patients of any group, ABO and D identical should always be requested.

If transfusion across ABO groups is required, patient units tested and negative for high titre anti-A and anti-B should be used.

Prostatectomy patients should be given group O platelets.

Unreliable D-positive patients should receive D-negative platelets.

If D-negative recipients are transfused with group A platelets, they should be given group O platelets.

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Recipient Group	O	A	B	AB
1st Choice	O	A	B	AB
2nd Choice	A or B	AB or B or O*	AB or A or O*	A* or B* or O*

* components tested negative for high-titre anti-A and anti-B and those suspended in PAS or solvent and stabiliser.

For D-negative recipients, platelets for non group O recipients and those suspended in PAS or solvent and stabiliser should be given to D-negative patients.

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Audit

Apheresis Platelets Myth Buster

1 Human Leucocyte Antigen (HLA) mismatched platelets are preferred for transfusion.

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