

Summary of Events - NBTC Rolling National Transfusion Education Programme

In Autumn 2023, the NBTC approved a proposal for Regional Transfusion Committees (RTC) to work together to produce a rolling National programme of virtual transfusion education sessions. The programme **runs from April to April** and sees 7 education sessions delivered, one topic for each RTC.

All sessions are **free** of charge, open to all, accessible nationally and **delivered virtually**. The sessions are relevant to both **clinical and laboratory** staff, with the EdWG keen to encourage ‘shopfloor’ healthcare professionals to attend (not just members of the hospital transfusion team). Topics classically address

- **Patient blood management** (PBM) in practice and/or
- **Transfusion safety**

Recordings are often made and can be found on the [PBM YouTube webpage](#).

Attendance, feedback & updates to evidence-based-practice help guide topics for the coming year. If you have any comments or suggestions in this regard, please email deborah.booth@nhsbt.nhs.uk

2024-25

Topic	RTC	Date
Major Haemorrhage and Bleeding	South East	16.7.24
Haemoglobinopathies	North East & Yorkshire	9.10.24
Refusal of blood and alternatives including PBM	North West	15.11.24
Plasma and Platelets	London	22.1.25
RCI eg compatibility, urgent transfusion in tricky patients	Midlands	3.2.25
Obstetrics, Neonates	East of England	12.2.25
Complications of transfusion including reactions	South West	11.9.24

2025-26

Topic	RTC	Date
Management of adverse events including PSIRF, human factors and safety	South East	3.7.25
Special components and special requirements [not specifically paedts]	South West	10.9.25
Neonatal and paediatric transfusion	North East & Yorkshire	22.10.25

IBI and its implications	London	12.11.25
Major haemorrhage across different patient groups	North West	28.11.25
Adverse events in transfusion including pulmonary complications	Midlands	23.1.26
Transfusion in Haemoglobinopathy	East of England	12.2.26

2026-27 tbc

Topic	RTC	Date
<i>Transfusion in Obstetrics</i>		
<i>Transfusion in GI bleeding and chronic liver disease</i>		
<i>Transfusion in surgery including NPT of coagulation and difficult to transfuse patients</i>		
<i>Consent and legal aspects of transfusion including IBI update</i>		
<i>Quality improvement and behavioural change management</i>		
<i>TACO and acute transfusion reaction management</i>		
<i>Major haemorrhage in patients receiving anticoagulation or antiplatelet agents (including avoiding delays in transfusion)</i>		

Additional working group national education events planned in 2026 by

- NBTC Education working group (date tbc)
- NBTC Haematology & Trauma group (date tbc)
- NBTC Emergency planning group (date tbc)