

EQUIPMENT GROUP MEETING NOTES

Tuesday 13 November 2018 at 10.00 am in

Room 6, Mid Staffordshire Postgraduate Medical Centre, County Hospital, Stafford, ST16 3SA.

1. APOLOGIES:

Corde Mee – Walsall
Dawn Homer – New Cross
Karen Anderson – Dudley
Kate Palmer – UHNM
Kim Wooliscroft – UHNM
Lisa Poston – Walsall
Lynn Keilty-Woolcock – UHNM
Lynsey Clarke – Network
Ruth Moore – SSBCN ODN
Sam Davies – Telford

PRESENT:

Carol Guest (Notes) – SSBCN ODN
Helen Amison (Chair) – UHNM
Julie Marks – Dudley
Robin McMahon – New Cross
Simon Robertson – UHNM
Tegwen Langford - SaTH

ACTION

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 17 MAY 2018

Agreed.

3. MATTERS ARISING

ECG Leads

RMc informed the Group that radiotranslucent are used at New Cross. **HA to feedback the results of one month trial of Vermed.**

HA

Top and Tail

Telford guidelines are due for review, however current practice face sterile with all other areas warm tap water.

Stoke practice sterile face and inter care.

Dudley practice sterile.

All other units to send current practice to Carol Guest for Ruth Moore to take forward with the Guidelines Group.

All
RM

4. PROCUREMENT OF DISPOSABLES ACROSS THE NETWORK

Disposable Sub Group

Nothing to report. Need Champion for Disposable Sub Group. Nobody was interested in taking on the role at the meeting. **Anyone interested please e-mail HA.**

All

Suction Guideline

To be taken off the agenda, there is already a suction guideline in the latest edition of the Neonatal Guidelines

Inline Suction Catheters

Stoke – Trust accept Halyard

Telford – Trialing GBUK

Item to be removed from the agenda, as Trusts are making own arrangements.

CG

5. EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

Stoke have already purchased a laryngoscope.

Replacement of Incubators

Telford – received

UHNM – received

HA e-mailed Emma who was quoted £35,000 for Baby Leos ultraviolet add ons. JM e-mailed Emma and was quoted the same price as the Network was offered. Dudley will look at replacement next year, but will be leasing, not purchasing. Dudley just purchased a Thermocare, felt Baby Leos were not the way forward. New Cross – up to date and happy with GE.

Stoke is on a rolling program with Giraffe.

Agreed to keep this item on the agenda in order to look at other alternatives.

New Cross is looking at ventilators. Stoke is happy with Leonies.

6. THERMO REGULATION

All agreed the data was useful however also need the percentage of babies in temperature range. **HA to feedback to Ruth Moore and ask if there are any Network Guidelines.**

HA

7. DEPUTY CHAIR OF THE GROUP

HA to speak to RM to suggest invitation go out to units asking for new members of the Group and role of Deputy Chair.

HA

8. CAREFUSION SIPAP MACHINE TRAINING

Stoke have removed them and so have New Cross. Dudley are still using and do have them come to do the training. **HA to feedback to Lynsey Clarke.**

HA

9. INSPIRATION HEALTHCARE CHARGING FOR TRAINING ON FABIAN

New rep. not mentioned charges to do training. **HA to feedback to Lynsey Clarke.**

HA

10. POTENTIAL JOINT DEAL WITH ARMSTRONG MEDICAL FOR NEW CPAP HAT AND NEW HI-FLOW TUBING

Stoke tied into contract until December. Armstrong happy to do a deal. TL is meeting them tomorrow to look at products and prices. Hi-flow more expensive than equipment currently using.

11. HEEL LANCETS

Telford use Smiths Medical. **TL to get comparison cost.** Stoke postnatal ward are now paying 85p each, making a saving on previous supplier Gentleheel which were £1.27 each.

12. THERMOMETERS

Stoke (HA) asked Welch Allyn for 30 more. Telford have now got for free. **All agreed this item can now be taken off the agenda.**

CG

13. REVIEW EQUIPMENT WITH BAR CODES ON LABELS FOR BREAST MILK STORAGE DEVELOPED BY STERIFEED FOR POTENTIAL USE IN THE NETWORK

HA to contact Sterifeed.

HA

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

New Longlines

New Cross planning on using for small premies, expensive but can stay in longer, exact weight and gestation to be decided.

Transport Incubator

Stoke looking at purchasing. New Cross got Drager Globetrotter and looking at Paraid. The suggestion was made to negotiate on purchasing two in order to get a good price for both units. **RMc to send Paraid details to SR.** Walters Medical expanding neonatal range, **SR to invite to the next meeting.**

RMc
SR

15. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting is to be held on Tuesday 14 May 2019 at 10.00 am in Mid Staffordshire Postgraduate Medical Centre, County Hospital, Stafford. **CG to book a room.**

CG