

## Yorkshire & Humber Neonatal ODN Clinical Forum (South)

**Thursday 25 March 2021, 10am – 12noon**  
**Conference call via MS Teams**

Present	Apologies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Kavi Aucharaz, Consultant Paediatrician, Barnsley</li> <li>▪ Alison Boldy, Matron, Doncaster</li> <li>▪ Charlotte Bradford, Senior Information Manager, ODN</li> <li>▪ Nigel Brooke, Consultant, Doncaster</li> <li>▪ Tracey Cole, Network Co-ordinator, ODN</li> <li>▪ Louise Crabtree, Lead Nurse, ODN</li> <li>▪ Vicky Dachtler, Neonatal Registrar, Sheffield Children's</li> <li>▪ Aiwyne Foo, Consultant, Chesterfield</li> <li>▪ Claire Howard, Matron, Jessop Wing</li> <li>▪ Nicola Hunt, Neonatal Nurse Educator, ODN</li> <li>▪ Rasheed Oba, Neonatal Lead, Scunthorpe</li> <li>▪ Kathy Parke, Ward Manager SCBU, Rotherham</li> <li>▪ Elizabeth Pilling, (Chair) Lead/Consultant, ODN/STH</li> <li>▪ Soma Sengupta, Consultant, Rotherham</li> <li>▪ Emma Spicer, Ward Sister, Grimsby</li> <li>▪ Lisa Tidd, Nurse, SCH</li> <li>▪ Keely Turner, Matron, Chesterfield</li> <li>▪ Cath Smith, Consultant Neonatologist STH/ Education &amp; Guideline Lead ODN</li> <li>▪ Jo Sudbury, Ward Manager NSU, SCH</li> <li>▪ Hazel Talbot, Education &amp; Guideline Lead ODN/ Consultant Embrace</li> <li>▪ Caroline Walker, Deputy NICU Ward Manager, NLAG</li> <li>▪ Angela Whelton, Lead Nurse, Barnsley</li> <li>▪ Lai Men Wong, Doncaster &amp; Bassetlaw</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Bianca Bane, Sister, NSU, Sheffield Children's</li> <li>▪ Cath Harrison, Consultant Neonatologist STH/Neonatal Clinical Lead Embrace</li> <li>▪ Louise Jordan, Transport Consultant, Embrace</li> <li>▪ Sarah Judd, NICU Ward Manager, NLAG</li> <li>▪ Becky Musson, Consultant, STH</li> <li>▪ Kirsty Quibell, Neonatal Nurse Educator, ODN</li> </ul>

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1.	<p><b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b></p> <p>ELP welcomed all attendees to the conference call and introductions were made.</p>	
2.	<p><b>Minutes from the previous meeting</b></p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday 14 January 2021, were approved.</p>	
3.	<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <p>Units were reminded of the planned change from Alprostadil to Dinoprost on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021. Any queries to ELP or the Cardiac Network.</p>	

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4.	<p><b>Clinical Topics</b></p> <p><b>New BAPM Framework – Optimal Cord Management Toolkit</b>  CS gave a brief overview on the toolkits available on the BAPM website. These toolkits provide an opportunity for all to implement QI initiatives and the many helpful resources demonstrate how others are working in clinical settings. There are story boards, webinars, presentations and posters that can be utilised for education purposes. The toolkits available are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Normothermia;</li> <li>▪ Antenatal optimisation;</li> <li>▪ Optimal cord management;</li> <li>▪ Maternal breast milk.</li> </ul> <p>CS emphasised the important of optimal cord management and encouraged all to look at this toolkit <a href="https://www.bapm.org/pages/197-optimal-cord-management-toolkit?delivery=ZGVsMTM1MjMw">https://www.bapm.org/pages/197-optimal-cord-management-toolkit?delivery=ZGVsMTM1MjMw</a></p> <p>CB informed the group that delayed cord clamping data will be included in the NNAP report and presented for the first time at a national level. This should start to impact on DCC figures, as this will drive and improve data recording. MatNeoSIP reporting at both National and local level will also include DCC. Further drivers for improvement of DCC provision will come from Early Intervention reporting.</p> <p>The Information Team are currently undertaking an audit on 3 years of probiotic data recorded on BadgerNet and will then pull together a document which will give a baseline and enable good practice to be shared across the Network.</p> <p>ELP asked that each unit bring along to the next meeting (16 June) a list of challenges with regard to delayed cord clamping, so that as a group we can look for solutions. ELP will share a copy of the Jessop guidelines.</p> <p>CS confirmed that the Draft Probiotic Guideline will be available shortly. The consensus was that little evidence exists to support one probiotic over another. It was confirmed that for the majority, funding is coming out of their pharmacy budgets.</p>	<p><b>All units</b></p> <p><b>ELP</b></p>
5.	<p><b>Standing Items</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Clinical Lead Update:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Neonatal Critical Care Transformation Review</b>  A meeting of the Oversight Group will take place in June to discuss the timetable going forward. The ODN Care Co-ordinators will be commencing in post shortly, there are 5 posts covering the three LMS footprints. With regard to neonatal nurse staffing funding, there will be £5.1m for 2021/22, and £29m for 2022/23. 2021/22 monies will go to Network Managers.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>With regard to AHP funding there is a need to work out how to move forward.</p>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>GIRFT Update</b>  Reviews are currently still on hold. ELP shared that STH had found the review both useful and positive. From a Network perspective there were a few things highlighted in their review and further detail will follow in the report. </li> </ul>															
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>Covid Update</b>   All were asked to encourage their staff to take up the opportunity to receive the Covid vaccine. Although the majority of staff had accepted, there were a few who had concerns such as the potential effect on fertility.   With regard to visiting there were no major changes from last time. Information regarding testing of parents is noted below. </li> </ul> <table border="1" data-bbox="317 689 1305 1585"> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="317 689 507 842">Barnsley</td> <td data-bbox="507 689 1305 842">Both parents 24 hour access, however once a parent leaves the unit they cannot return until the following day. Lateral flow testing is not being undertaken. Staff are wearing masks along with goggles or visors as babies are being nursed in in cots.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="317 842 507 936">Chesterfield</td> <td data-bbox="507 842 1305 936">If it is not too busy both parents can visit, however they cannot go on and off the unit in a 24 hour period. Weekly PCRs are undertaken.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="317 936 507 1059">Doncaster &amp; Bassetlaw</td> <td data-bbox="507 936 1305 1059">Parents are being allowed to visit together in 4 hour slots. Lateral flow testing is carried out on parents twice a week. Visors are not being worn.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="317 1059 507 1211">NLAG</td> <td data-bbox="507 1059 1305 1211">Staff are wearing masks and babies are being nursed in cots with 2 metre distance between them. Both parents can visit with no restrictions. Testing was to be discussed at their Trust Executive meeting.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="317 1211 507 1339">Rotherham</td> <td data-bbox="507 1211 1305 1339">Twice weekly testing for staff. Weekly lateral flow testing for both parents, no limitations on visiting. Nurses wear masks and visors or goggles as babies are in cots.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="317 1339 507 1491">Sheffield Children's</td> <td data-bbox="507 1339 1305 1491">NSU babies are in open cots which are 2 metres apart so masks are worn but no visors. No parent testing, one parent visiting the unit at a time, 2nd parent restricted due to space on the unit. Maximum capacity of 5 parents at a time in a room.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="317 1491 507 1585">Sheffield Teaching</td> <td data-bbox="507 1491 1305 1585">PCR testing is carried out once a week on all parents, so far there have been no confirmed cases in parents.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>Network Structure update</b>  Expressions of interest have now been sought for the Deputy Pan Clinical Lead and Locality Lead posts and the deadline for EOI is 7 April 2021. ELP informed all that even if people should apply for more than one role just one interview would take place, for further information contact Elizabeth Pilling.   LC congratulated ELP on her appointment as the Pan Network Clinical Lead. ELP confirmed that for now, Clinical Forums will remain as North and South meetings. ELP will be jointly chairing the forthcoming Clinical Forum North meeting with Chris Day, at this meeting suggestions will be sought on the future of these meetings. Discussion will also take place on whether a combination of face to face and virtual meetings could take place in future </li> </ul>	Barnsley	Both parents 24 hour access, however once a parent leaves the unit they cannot return until the following day. Lateral flow testing is not being undertaken. Staff are wearing masks along with goggles or visors as babies are being nursed in in cots.	Chesterfield	If it is not too busy both parents can visit, however they cannot go on and off the unit in a 24 hour period. Weekly PCRs are undertaken.	Doncaster & Bassetlaw	Parents are being allowed to visit together in 4 hour slots. Lateral flow testing is carried out on parents twice a week. Visors are not being worn.	NLAG	Staff are wearing masks and babies are being nursed in cots with 2 metre distance between them. Both parents can visit with no restrictions. Testing was to be discussed at their Trust Executive meeting.	Rotherham	Twice weekly testing for staff. Weekly lateral flow testing for both parents, no limitations on visiting. Nurses wear masks and visors or goggles as babies are in cots.	Sheffield Children's	NSU babies are in open cots which are 2 metres apart so masks are worn but no visors. No parent testing, one parent visiting the unit at a time, 2nd parent restricted due to space on the unit. Maximum capacity of 5 parents at a time in a room.	Sheffield Teaching	PCR testing is carried out once a week on all parents, so far there have been no confirmed cases in parents.	All
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	<p>▪ <b>Lead Nurse Update:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Revised Drug Chart</b> LC informed all that the revised Drug Chart will be circulated shortly.</li> <li>• <b>Staffing/workforce</b> The data in relation to LTP funds have been submitted to the National Team. It was confirmed that data from the Covid period was not used. The new neonatal workforce tool has been approved but is not yet available for use. TC data will be calculated separately.  A new role has been created, Transformation Nursing Workforce funded by NHSE.  LC referred to the recent AHPs workshop and asked that each unit email her with their lead AHP contact.</li> <li>• <b>Capacity and Repatriation</b> LC reported that NICUs are getting busy, LNU and SCBUs are not too bad. All were reminded to ensure that repatriations are carried out in a timely manner. It is hoped that the current staffing issues related to Covid will begin to ease off shortly. All were asked to remind their units of their internal escalation policy.  The IUT guideline been completed and is awaiting approval through the normal processes and a leaflet has been developed for parents.</li> <li>• <b>Family Integrated Care and Care Coordinator Roles</b> 5 Care Coordinators have been appointed to cover three posts (job shares for two areas), for the south of the patch those appointed are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Donna Redfern - South Yorkshire &amp; Bassetlaw.</li> <li>○ Nicola Hunt and Marie-Anne Kelly - Humber Coast &amp; Vale.</li> </ul>  The Care Coordinators will link with the National Group, LMSs and Midwives. All were asked who they would like to nominate as a link on their unit, LC suggested it could be their Parent Passport Group member. It was noted that the Parent Passport Group is still currently on hold. A new Parent Engagement Lead role for the Network is to be created.</li> <li>• <b>Neonatal Senior Surgical Nurse Group</b> LC announced that this group has now been formalised and Jo Sudbury will chair this meeting.</li> <li>• <b>Contact Details</b> All were reminded to ensure that they inform the ODN of any changes to their contact details. Please email <a href="mailto:scn-tr.adminodn@nhs.net">scn-tr.adminodn@nhs.net</a> or <a href="mailto:tracey.cole8@nhs.net">tracey.cole8@nhs.net</a>.</li> </ul>	<p><b>All units</b></p> <p><b>All units</b></p> <p><b>Lead Clinicians &amp; Nurses</b></p> <p><b>All</b></p>

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6.	<p><b>Education and Guidelines</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Education and Training</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Neonatal Virtual Annual Conference – 29 April 2021</b> The Virtual Neonatal Annual Conference is scheduled for 29 April 2021. Registration is still open however submissions of abstracts are now closed. All were thanked for abstract submissions, 27 in total and 3 of these have been chosen for presentation at the conference. It is hoped that the programme will be finalised this afternoon.</li> <li>• <b>Virtual Education Days 2021</b> An education day is planned for 30 March 2021, the key component of which will be good early care for pre term babies. For those who have already registered, please let us know if you are unable to make it.</li> <li>• <b>Critical Skills Training</b> Three dates have been confirmed and will be circulated shortly. A meeting will take place in June to discuss the further dates for 2021.</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ <b>Network Guidelines</b> CS reminded all that the following guidelines are out for comment and thanked those who had already responded with feedback: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pre-medications is being worked on and will come out soon;</li> <li>• Triggers for Transfer, comments by 26 March;</li> <li>• Admission, comments by 26 March (South);</li> <li>• Ventilation, comments by 26 March (South);</li> <li>• HIE, comments by 23 April;</li> <li>• Early Care Framework, comments by 23 April.</li> </ul> <p>With regard to the Early Care Framework, a leadership fellow at Hull is looking at recording information at delivery and it is hoped an update can be given at the next meeting.</p> </li> <li>▪ <b>Update on the Therapeutic Hypothermia Workshop held 17 March 2021</b> The workshop was well attended with all but one unit participating, due to technical difficulties. Consensus was reached across the region on aEEG, with it being supported in all units when skills and equipment are available, but not cooling equipment due to the geography of the Network and speed of Embrace's response times. Three workstreams came out of this workshop, education, equipment and technology. The minutes of this workshop will be circulated shortly.</li> <li>▪ <b>Airway Skills</b> A questionnaire will be sent out to Clinical Leads and Lead Nurses next week and it would be appreciated if this could be completed by one person on each unit.</li> </ul> <p><b>Nurse Educators</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Foundation Programme and QIS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NH provided an update and informed all that the Foundation Programme is running well. The next course is due to commence on 5 April, there are 31 students registered on the course.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>All Units</b></p>

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7.	<p><b>Information and Data</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Exception Reporting</b> Three exception reports were discussed among the group and it was agreed that all could be closed on the exceptions tracker: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AAMLDD</li> <li>AZHABD</li> <li>A1U3LD</li> </ul> <p>A link to the shared learning outcomes, including those discussed at this meeting is below:</p> <p><a href="#">Exception Reporting - Shared Learning Outcomes Flyer</a></p> </li> <li><b>Quality Dashboards – Local &amp; National/ Y&amp;H Neonatal Dashboard/ Y&amp;H Temperature Dashboard/ Y&amp;H Feeding Dashboard/Early Intervention Overview 2020/21 Q3</b> ELP presented the dashboards. It was noted that fewer babies are being born in the wrong place however there is still some way to go to meet national recommendations. In this quarter, 95.14% of babies had received antenatal steroids and there have been huge strides forward with the administration of magnesium sulphate. Delayed cord clamping is improving, although there are still large gaps.  With regard to first consultations EP shared that in Bradford the Ward Clerk highlights which babies have been admitted in the past 24 hours at the daily huddles so that the appropriate conversations can then take place. It was agreed that HT will share the first consultation poster abstract following the Annual Conference.  CB informed all that NNAP are going to change the allocation for 2 year follow ups with effect from next year, from the ‘final unit to discharge home’ to the ‘first unit to discharge home’.  All were asked to look at improving management of cold babies, as the data reflected that this is on the rise.</li> </ul>	<p>All HT</p> <p>All Units</p>
8.	<p><b>Any other Business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>MHRA Alert re: Supply disruption of sterile infusion sets and connectors manufactured by Becton Dickinson (BD)</b> The MHRA alert notice had been circulated around the Network, there are potential issues with the sterility of infusion sets and connectors. All were asked to contact ELP or LC with any queries. All were advised to continue</li> </ul>	

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	<p>using the supplies alongside a risk assessment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>NCARDS</b> CB asked for agreement for a designated person at NCARDS to be given access to BadgerNet. This was agreed by all.</li> <li>▪ <b>HOM request</b> AF referred to a local HOM request for local meetings in Chesterfield to review off pathway deliveries as Chesterfield are part of Derbyshire LMS. The process in SY&amp;B was discussed. No network action currently needed.</li> </ul>	
9.	<p><b>Dates and times of future meetings</b></p> <p><b>Clinical Forum – South</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Wednesday 16 June 2021, 9.30am – 12noon, via MS Teams</li> </ul> <p><b>Mortality Review Panel - South</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Thursday 25 March 2021, 1 – 4pm, via MS Teams</li> <li>▪ Wednesday 16 June 2021, 1 – 4pm, via MS Teams</li> </ul> <p><b>Executive Group Meetings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Thursday 10 June 2021, 1.30 – 4pm, via MS Teams</li> <li>▪ Tuesday 7 September 2021, 1.30 – 4pm, via MS Teams</li> <li>▪ Thursday 9 December 2021, 1.30 – 4pm, via MS Teams</li> </ul> <p><b>Neonatal ODN Annual Virtual Conference</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Thursday 29 April 2021, 9.15am – 4pm, via MS Teams <a href="#">Link to Registration - Y&amp;H Neonatal ODN Annual Virtual Conference 2021</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Joint Mat/Neo Forum</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Wednesday 19 May 2021, 9am – 12noon, via MS Teams.</li> </ul>	