

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

**Thursday 4 June 2020, 10am – 12noon**  
**Conference call via MS Teams**

Present	Apologies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Bianca Bane, Sister, NSU/Acting Ward Manager SCH</li> <li>▪ Alison Boldy, Matron, Doncaster</li> <li>▪ Isabelle Bradbury, Acting Matron, Doncaster#</li> <li>▪ Nigel Brooke, Consultant, Doncaster</li> <li>▪ Tracey Cole, Network Co-ordinator, ODN</li> <li>▪ Louise Crabtree, Lead Nurse, ODN</li> <li>▪ Denise Evans, Lead Nurse, ODN</li> <li>▪ Aiwyne Foo, Consultant, Chesterfield</li> <li>▪ Lisa Gorry, Project Lead, ODN</li> <li>▪ Claire Howard, Matron, Jessop Wing</li> <li>▪ Sarah Judd, Ward Manager, NLAG</li> <li>▪ Marie-Anne Kelly, 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>▪ Syam Pramod, Consultant Paediatrician, Doncaster &amp; Bassetlaw</li> <li>▪ Soma Sengupta, Consultant, Rotherham</li> <li>▪ Emma Spicer, Ward Sister, Grimsby</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>▪ Keely Turner, Matron, Chesterfield</li> <li>▪ Angela Whelton, Lead Nurse, Barnsley</li> <li>▪ Lai Men Wong, Doncaster &amp; Bassetlaw</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Bethany Andrew, Nurse Educator, ODN</li> <li>▪ Charlotte Bradford, Senior Information Manager, ODN</li> <li>▪ Caroline Davies, Lead Senior Sister, SCBU, Doncaster</li> <li>▪ Cath Harrison, Neonatal Clinical Lead - Embrace</li> <li>▪ Olu Seidu, Consultant, Barnsley</li> <li>▪ Jo Whiston, Lead Nurse, Embrace</li> </ul>

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1.	<p><b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b></p> <p>EP welcomed all attendees to the conference call and introductions were made.</p>	
2.	<p><b>Minutes from the previous meetings held:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Wednesday 11 December 2019</b> The minutes of this meeting were approved.</li> <li>▪ <b>Thursday 14 May 2020</b> The minutes of the previous meetings were approved, with the exception of the arrangement for parent access at the Jessop Wing. It should state that “both parents can visit once a day”.</li> </ul>	

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3.	<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <p>▪ <b>Polyhydramnios and NGT</b>            LC commented that a query had been raised by one of the neonatal units in the North of the Network as to whether there should be a guideline produced with regard to the use of NGTs when babies are born to mothers with polyhydramnios, in order to rule out oesophageal atresia (OA). HT noted that she had checked a number of Network websites but none of them have a guideline available. It was agreed that a trainee should be asked to undertake literature research on this topic. CS also added that she would circulate an ADC article which supported the majority of units' current action i.e. no routine insertion of ng tubes.</p> <p>Going forward, HT and CS will make contact with Fiona Metcalfe (North of the Y&amp;H Network) in order to produce a joint statement of support which can also be taken to the Neonatal Clinical Forum North for agreement.</p> </li> <li> <p>▪ <b>PICU for surgical lines for exchange transfusion</b>            JS confirmed she had spoken with Rum Thomas and confirmed that if a baby requires an exchange transfusion and referral to a surgeon for a surgical line the patient will be admitted to PICU for this procedure. JS will confirm this arrangement with RT by email which will also be copied to HT, JW and Cath Harrison. Once the exchange has been done, a discussion should take place as to whether the patient stays in Sheffield (PICU, NSU, or JW) or be transferred back to their local unit.</p> </li> </ul>	<p><b>CS/Admin</b></p> <p><b>CS/HT</b></p> <p><b>JS</b></p>
4.	<p><b>Standing Items</b></p> <p><b>Clinical Lead Update:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <p>▪ <b>Exception Reporting</b>            LG gave a brief update with regard to the routine reports that are normally circulated. Due to the heavy traffic on email in April and May during the Covid outbreak these reports were not circulated, however all were now asked if they were happy for the Information Team to resume this process. This was agreed and it was highlighted that the subject title will indicate whether such emails are for information only or action.</p> </li> <li> <p>▪ <b>Neonatal Critical Care Transformation Review</b>            The NCCR is still officially on hold, however EP informed all that HB is meeting with the LMS in order to move this programme forward. It was noted that the funding for Care Co-ordinators should be available in the near future.</p> </li> <li> <p>▪ <b>Discussion on the use of Prostin in the region and potentially changing over to Dinoprostone</b>            All were reminded that the Cardiac Network had approached EP regarding this potential change in autumn 2020. It was noted that although this will happen a commencement date is yet to be agreed. It is expected that current drug stocks will be used up before changing over. EP will liaise with Fiona in the Cardiac Network regarding a commencement date. Embrace will draw up a prescription chart and this will be circulated. All were asked to wait for further guidance from the Network and not make any changes for the time being.</p> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Info Team</b></p> <p><b>Admin</b></p> <p><b>All</b></p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Lead Nurse Update:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Parent Passport and Family Integrated Care</b> It was noted that the Group is currently on hold. The meeting scheduled in January 2020 was cancelled. LG will make contact with the group.</li> <li>• <b>Repatriation and capacity</b> LC commended all for doing really well with regard to repatriation, there were very few patients left more than 48hrs. It was noted that the NICUs are generally coping well with only one or two closures.</li> <li>• <b>Bliss</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Psychology Services</b> LC will circulate the clarification received with regard to psychology services. It was noted that it is not expected to have a Psychologist on the unit.</li> <li>○ LC congratulated Barnsley who had received their Bliss Charter. EP asked LC to inform the Neonatal Exec.</li> <li>○ All were reminded to ensure staff are continuing to enter information on the cot bureau 2/3 times daily.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>LC/Admin</b></p> <p><b>LC</b></p> <p><b>All</b></p>
5.	<p><b>Education and Guidelines</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Guidelines (CS/HT)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Pneumothorax</b> CS confirmed the final draft of this guideline will be sent out tomorrow for ratification at the Neonatal Exec.</li> <li>• <b>Resuscitation of the Term Newborn</b> This guideline will also be sent to Neonatal Exec for ratification.</li> <li>• <b>Guidelines for circulation</b></li> <li>• The Persistent Pulmonary Hypertension of the Newborn (PPHN) guideline will be circulated in the next few days for comments, along with Long term oxygen therapy for chronic neonatal lung disease.</li> <li>• A group to review a pan Network guideline on pre-medications for non-emergency intubation is to be set up. CS/HT will email to ask for volunteers to take part in this review group.</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ <b>Education (CS/HT)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Preterm/Golden Hour event on the 8 October 2020 will go ahead in Sheffield. It is planned that this take place face to face while ensuring social distancing, however this may need to be adjusted nearer the time to a conference call.</li> <li>• The Annual Conference has been cancelled, however Cs informed all that it is hoped a virtual mini conference can go ahead at the end of September/beginning October. Information to follow. Abstracts are welcomed, particularly those that highlight quality improvement work that</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>CS/HT</b></p> <p><b>CS/HT</b></p> <p><b>CS/HT/ All</b></p> <p><b>CS/HT/ All</b></p>

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	has continued despite the difficult circumstances experienced during the Covid outbreak.	
	<p><b>Nurse Educators:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Foundation and QIS update</b> It was noted that BA has now returned to her post in the Network. MAK informed all that the first day of the Foundation Programme took place online last week and went very well. There are a few tweaks to make prior to the session to be held at Pinderfields next week.</li> </ul> <p>MAK had spoken with HEE yesterday regarding funding and will email Lead Nurses to check which of their staff they would like to put forward in September and to which University. All were asked to ensure their Trust is aware that QIS must be treated as a priority.</p>	<b>All</b>
6.	<p><b>Information and Data</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Quality Dashboards – Local &amp; National/ Y&amp;H Neonatal Dashboard/ Y&amp;H Temperature Dashboard/ Y&amp;H Feeding Dashboard</b> The dashboard reports were presented by EP and a request was made to LG that the Information Team check the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Has NNAP criteria for 2020 changed for First Consultation within 24 hours?</li> <li>○ Query on the figure of zero for the number of babies that received PN at JHW.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>The temperature dashboard had been provided on a less frequent basis, however during Covid it was felt there was a slight increase in cold babies. This dashboard will therefore continue to be provided on a more frequent basis for the time being.</p>	<b>LG</b>
7.	<p><b>Any other Business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Mortality Summit – key actions</b> The four NICUs met to discuss mortality and 5 key actions came out of this meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The use of breast milk for all babies.</li> <li>○ Probiotics for pre-term babies. It was noted that JW and Chesterfield are using Infloran. Scunthorpe and Grimsby will be commencing use of probiotics shortly. Rotherham and Barnsley are currently looking at the guidelines. HT commented that discussions had taken place in another meeting that a statement of support be produced rather than a guideline.</li> <li>○ Saturation targets should be between the range of 91% and 95%, no lower or higher. Monitors may need to be adjusted.</li> <li>○ Volume guide ventilation should be the primary mode of ventilation.</li> <li>○ Use of caffeine therapy for preterm babies (&lt;31/40) on CPAP or before extubation. The NICE guideline advice is that this stops at 33-35 weeks, dependent on symptoms.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>When undertaking mortality reviews we should check that the above five key actions are being achieved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>GIRFT</b> Network visits have restarted this week which will be followed by unit visits.</li> </ul>	

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	<p>Y&amp;H are awaiting the final report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <p>▪ <b>NHSE Briefing – Spacing of Cots</b>  All will have received an email from the Network regarding the spacing of cots. The background for this is that PHE issued guidance for cots to be placed 2 metres apart. BAPM do not apply this to neonates, partly due to the fact that babies are in incubators and also the disadvantages of moving babies around and having less capacity far outweigh the benefits. Specialised Commissioning have asked all units to look at the possibility of reducing their capacity.</p> <p>LC to email Lead Nurses the criteria to mitigate risks and to provide evidence of whether this is possible or not. For future builds, all were asked to ensure there is a greater space between cots. EP asked Lead Nurses to respond to her asap copying in HB, CB and LC. Specialised Commissioning have asked for a response from the Network by 16 July 2020.</p> </li> <li> <p>▪ <b>Request for Neonatal Grid Trainees to attend Y&amp;H Neonatal meetings</b>  A request for Trainees to attend neonatal meetings in an observation capacity was agreed. Clinical Leads for each NICU should email Adminodn to request a trainee be added on to a specific forthcoming meeting. Please notify EP if there are any objections to this.</p> </li> <li> <p>▪ <b>KP Summary</b>  EP explained the background to the Kaiser Permanente tool that the Jessop Wing are using. The justification for the use of this tool rather than the pathway suggested by NICE was based on an audit of previous data. EP will share the documentation.</p> </li> <li> <p>▪ <b>Clinical topics</b>  EP confirmed that this item will commence from the next meeting. Rasheed Oba, Neonatal Lead, Scunthorpe will present on a clinical topic as well as a presentation by Nigel Brooke and Becky Musson regarding shared learning – baby with a difficult airway</p> </li> <li> <p>▪ <b>Secondment opportunity in Network</b>  LC informed all that MAK will be going on maternity leave a secondment opportunity at band 7 has therefore arisen to cover this post. The closing date is 3 July 2020.</p> </li> <li> <p>▪ <b>FIC</b>  This is still on hold currently. Once the NCCR progresses monies should be released, an advertisement for Care Co-ordinators can then be issued.</p> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Lead Nurses</b></p> <p><b>Clinical Leads</b></p> <p><b>EP/Admin</b></p> <p><b>RO NB/BM</b></p> <p><b>All</b></p>
8.	<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 7 October 2020, 10am – 12noon, via MS Teams.</li> <li>▪ Thursday 14 January 2021, 10am – 12noon, via MS Teams.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mortality Review Panel - South</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Wednesday 7 October 2020, 1pm – 3pm, via MS Teams.</li> <li>▪ Thursday 14 January 2021, 1pm – 3pm, via MS Teams.</li> </ul> <p><b>NCCR Implementation – Virtual Workshop 1 – Aligning Capacity</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Wednesday 4 November 2020, 9.30am – 12.30pm, via MS Teams</li> </ul>	<p><b>All</b></p>

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	<p><b>Joint Forum</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Date to be confirmed</li></ul> <p><b>Executive Group Meetings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Thursday 11 June 2020, 1.30 – 3.30pm, via MS Teams</li><li>▪ Thursday 3 September 2020, 1.30 – 3.30pm, via MS Teams</li><li>▪ Thursday 3 December 2020, 1.30 – 4.00pm, via MS Teams</li></ul>	

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