

SHOT Newsletter July 2025

**The 2025 Annual SHOT Symposium
took place on Friday 11 July in Birmingham, UK**



Thank you for attending
the 2025 Annual SHOT
Symposium

The SHOT team extends our heartfelt thanks to every delegate, poster presenter, moderator, speaker, and exhibitor who helped make this year's Symposium a tremendous success.

Your energy, expertise, and enthusiasm transformed the event into more than just a conference—it became a vibrant community committed to learning, connecting, and driving progress in transfusion safety. From thought-provoking sessions to impactful posters and engaging discussions, every moment reflected our shared purpose and passion for improvement.

Please check the SHOT website and LinkedIn for highlights of the day.

2024 Annual SHOT Report

The 2024 Annual SHOT Report has been released and is available on the SHOT website!

[Click here](#) to visit the SHOT Report page to view the full report, individual chapters, collated key insights from individual chapters, cases and figures from the report and supplementary information.

You can also order SHOT Report summaries from this page to distribute within your organisations. These are a great, digestible format to share the learning widely.



ANNUAL SHOT REPORT 2024

SHOT is affiliated to the Royal College of Pathologists
This report is produced by SHOT working with MHRA



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WORKING TOGETHER TO IMPROVE PATIENT SAFETY



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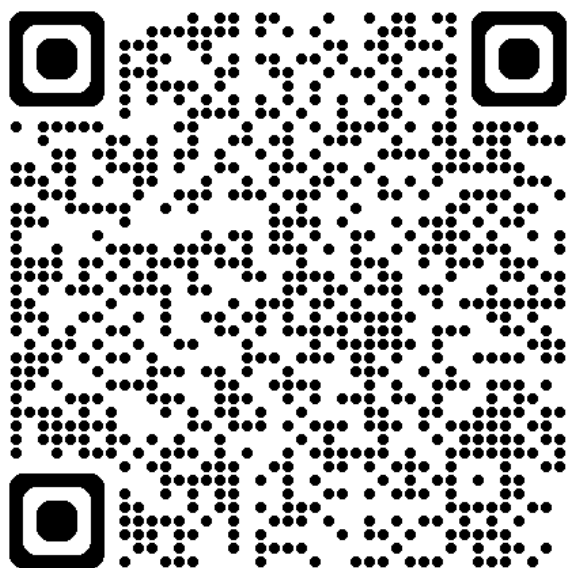
SHOT Transfusion Safety Standards

The Symposium saw the launch of the SHOT Transfusion Safety Standards. These have been produced to promote and ensure safe, effective transfusions by identifying risks, implementing strategies that create a safer environment for everyone involved, contributing to better patient outcomes, staff wellbeing and overall system safety.

The standards cover all aspects of the SHOT 10 steps of the transfusion pathway. These include the key elements evident from serial Annual SHOT Reports relating to the clinical and laboratory aspects in healthcare systems that help ensure safe transfusions.

To view the standards and supporting information, scan the QR code below or click here:

[Transfusion Safety Standards - Serious Hazards of Transfusion](#)



My Transfusion app

After several months of dedicated collaboration and development, we're excited to officially launch the UK's first blood transfusion information app for patients - My Transfusion. Now available on the App Store and Google Play.

The UK's first blood transfusion information app, co-created with patients, for patients, the app helps support informed decision-making by guiding users through:

- ✓ The transfusion journey
- ✓ Potential risks and benefits
- ✓ Alternatives to transfusion

Developed in partnership with patient representatives and transfusion experts, My Transfusion is a trusted, accessible, and patient-centred resource.

We're proud to be part of this meaningful step forward in providing patients with the information they need.

A short promotional video has been created to highlight how and why the My Transfusion app has been developed and how this can be used to provide useful information to patients likely to receive a blood transfusion.

👉 [Click here](#) or on the image below to play the video



👉 The easiest way to download the My Transfusion app is to scan the barcodes below with your mobile telephone using your camera function



SHOT reporting to begin for UK Blood Services

We are pleased to announce that after many years of planning and collaboration, we will introduce reporting in 4 categories for the UK Blood Services from **5th August 2025**. Blood services will submit a report where an ***error has occurred in the diagnostic laboratories and issuing departments in the UK Blood Services that led to erroneous results given, or blood components issued to healthcare organisations with potential to cause harm to patients.*** This development marks a significant step forward in strengthening our ability to monitor, learn from, and improve transfusion safety across the system. The new reporting pathway will support a more complete picture of events across the blood supply chain and help identify opportunities for system-wide improvement and shared learning.

The initial blood services reporting categories are:

IBCI-WCI (Incorrect Blood Component Issued – Wrong Component Issued)

IBCI-SRNM (Incorrect Blood Component Issued – Specific Requirements Not Met)

Anti-D Ig errors for blood services

ACE (Acknowledging Continuing Excellence)

These categories will be reviewed periodically, and additional categories will be added over time. It is important to note that the UK Blood Services will continue to submit reportable incidents to MHRA via SABRE as per current regulatory requirements.

Further details will be added to the SHOT website after the launch date.





Meet the Experts virtual sessions



Join us for interactive 'Meet the Experts' sessions
Now with the key highlights from the **2024 Annual SHOT Report**

Anti-D immunoglobulin (Ig) errors and immune anti-D

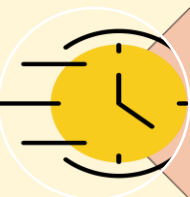
Tuesday 16 September 2025 at 13:00 GMT

[Click here to
register for this
event](#)

Haemolytic Transfusion Reactions (HTR) and Haemoglobinopathies

Friday 14 November 2025 at 13:00 GMT

Save the date!
Link to register
coming soon



A 20-minute overview of chapter content including:
trends, highlights and example cases



Followed by 40-minute Q&A

We want to hear **from you!**

Ask questions, clarify doubts and share improvements

[Click here](#) or the image below, for all the latest 'Meet The Experts' Virtual
Sessions recordings

Meet the experts – Near Miss Reporting & Wrong Blood in Tube (WBIT)

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Meet the experts – IBCT

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Call for feedback on the Transfusion Training Hub

Since its launch in April 2024, the Transfusion Training Hub has received over 32,000 views — and now the NBTC team would love to hear from you. Your feedback will help understand your experience with the Hub and guide the development of future training resources.

The survey takes less than 5 minutes to complete, and all responses are anonymous.

👉 <https://forms.office.com/e/X2u10rRcpX>

SaBTO recruiting new members

The Advisory Committee on the Safety of Blood, Tissues and Organs (SaBTO) is recruiting 3 new members:

- Public health expert/epidemiologist
- Health economist
- Lay representative for blood transfusion

Apply here: [Working for DHSC - Department of Health and Social Care - GOV.UK](#)

Full info here: [SaBTO members candidate information pack.docx](#)

Get the message out: [Share on LinkedIn](#)

Closing date: **Monday 4th August 2025**

Additionally, the Advisory Committee on the Safety of Blood, Tissues and Organs (SaBTO) is recruiting a new Chair.

Apply here: [Working for DHSC - Department of Health and Social Care - GOV.UK](#)

Full info here: [sabto-chair-candidate-information-pack-july-2025.docx](#)

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Forthcoming events

Patient Safety Congress

15-16 September 2025

Manchester Central Convention

Complex



IBMS Congress 2025

Linking Learning to the Laboratory

22 – 25 September 2025

The International Convention Centre (ICC), Birmingham

BBTS Annual Conference

14-16 October 2025

Harrogate Conference

Centre



RCGP Annual Conference and Exhibition 2025

9-10 October 2025

ICC, Newport, Wales



IBMS Congress 2025

22-25 September 2025

The International

Convention Centre (ICC),

Birmingham

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