

POCT COMMITTEE MEETING

15th September 2021 2pm (Teams Meeting)

Present

Name	Title	Initials
Joanne Hodson (Chair)	Consultant Neonatal Nurse	JH
Nicola Hodges	POCT Co-ordinator	NH
Rob Mackenzie	Consultant Respiratory Physician	RM
Tracey Hope (Notetaker)	NICU Data Clerk	TH

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1.	Apologies Leon Massey, Fran Mills, Julia Vasant, Kyle Day, Vicky Smith, Sarah Meisner	
2.	Actions from previous meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Urinalysis – 1 connected to PoCcelerator middleware – problems to still iron out. • Ketone meters – patient ID’s, trying to share audits but not working. Stopped this year’s audit as of no use & some meters not used on wards or misused. Evidence shows no improvement • Datix – 21 areas & time consuming. • Risk register – target areas & email managers cc. in Bernie Marden & Toni Lynch <p>Also see attached action list tracker – to be reviewed at each meeting.</p>	NH JH
3.	Operational performance <p>Because of so few attendees the meeting was not quorate, so this is by way of an update only, therefore ongoing decisions will be delayed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gas analysers – being monitored via Datix. • Covid testing - 8 new analysers, can be used for ID testing & maternity. Acute stroke unit also requested analysers. • NH - support staff leaving, no replacement so back to needing ad-hoc help – to raise need for support with Medical Director • 	JH
4.	Developments & organisational change <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DNA Nudges – all returned, consensus not to continue using. • ID Now – 6 in 4 areas. 8 more to come need to be connected to middleware & Millenium. 	NH

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Urinalysis meters and Software – 1 connected today. • DDIM – now closed to further actions. • TEG manager – delayed to 1st October for removing generic log in. Users entered as barcodes. • Ketone meter requests – requests from Diabetes team – all working well. • New Hemocue Meters – n/a • RAU (ACE ward) blood gas analyser – in SAU now & working well. • Unipoc software upgrade – in place, some niggles. • MES tender – not complete yet & not including POCT. Hopefully tender in place by end of year & look at beginning of 2022 for procurement of new POCT equipment. 	
5.	<p>Quality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ED dirty analyser – much improved • Datix – mostly around EQA • Hemocue – fit for purpose, minimal engagement with Theatres has improved. Unsure if quality control being run & performing properly as a lot of EQA failures. Misused & poor quality samples, results unreliable. Training needs to be in place. • EQA – respiratory ward – difficult to engage in training & sample prep & storage problematic but analyser working ok. Ongoing issues in NICU as glucose reading failing & MSS contaminations - Roche suggest running quality control. New Matron in Paeds introduced new teaching regime – will wait to next audit to embed & put on risk register if no change. • Complaints and compliments -none received. • Improvement/change projects – no progress at present. 	
6.	<p>Training</p> <p>Competency and training compliance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E-learning videos – NH currently unable to produce due to lack of support staff. Involve use of ward staff? • Access Control – training system in process for urinalysis meters. • Gas analysers – BBC & SAU struggling with getting training in place & MAU started but still problematic. 	NH
7.	AOB	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • POCT engagement ongoing problem due to impact of pandemic & staffing issues & difficult to progress issues, as Board meetings not going ahead either – to email and encourage better attendance. • GOLD – seeking Matron’s from areas where there are ID Now’s to go for training. 	JH
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Date and time of next meeting: to be arranged - January 2022