# **ANNUAL SHOT REPORT 2015 SUMMARY**







### Deaths related to transfusion 2010-2015 n=93



### Multiple errors in the transfusion process 2012-2015



#### Pulmonary complications, particularly TACO, and delays are the main causes of death

Laboratory errors have increased

SHOT data 2012-2015 showing 4 year trends indicating the critical points in the laboratory processes where errors occur



## **SHOT RECOMMENDATIONS 2015**

TACO Checklist

Be	WARM:
	Work
	<b>Accurately and</b>
	Reduce
	Mistakes

1. Use a TACO checklist

**CONTACT DETAILS** 

**2.** Use a bedside checklist



	Does the patient have a diagnosis of 'heart failure' congestive cardiac failure (CCF), severe aortic stenosis, or moderate to severe left ventricular dysfunction? Is the patient on a regular diuretic?
	Is the patient known to have pulmonary oedema? Does the patient have respiratory symptoms of undiagnosed cause?
$\bigcirc$	Is the fluid balance clinically significantly positive? Is the patient on concomitant fluids (or has been in the past 24 hours)? Is there any peripheral oedema?
	If 'yes' to any of the above

Red Cell Transfusion for Non-Bleeding Patients

- Review the need for transfusion (do the benefits outweigh the risks)?
- Can the transfusion be safely deferred until the issue can be investigated, treated or resolved?
- Consider body weight dosing for red cells (especially if low body weight)
- Transfuse one unit (red cells) and review symptoms of anaemia
- Measure the fluid balance
- Consider giving a prophylactic diuretic
- Monitor the vital signs closely, including oxygen saturation



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