

Introduction/Objectives

Chimeric antigen receptor T cell therapy (CAR-T) is a revolutionary therapy for haematological cancers. Associated cardiotoxicities are however ill-defined [1].

Building on ELP-delivered concepts of individual and systems-based changes to optimise patient safety [2], we aimed to establish clinical and research CAR-T cardio-oncology programmes.

Results

Despite COVID-19 related challenges both goals were met.

A new clinic and consult service was established with constructive discussions on job-planning and funding.

A research programme was initiated after successfully obtaining funding and ethical/regulatory approvals.

Conclusions

Utilizing a number of leadership and managerial concepts explored on the ELP (compassionate leadership, teams-based approach, critical problem appraisal, difficult conversations, NHS funding sources), we successfully established clinical and research CAR-T programmes.

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