

PITUS 18 – 20 Working Groups Update August 2020

Working Group 1 – Evaluation and Promotion Chair – Catherine Pitman

Meeting 20 – 18 August 2020

- * [Draft SPIA Exemplar Reports](#) updated; each to have accompanying HL7 V2 & FHIR messages drafted
- * RCPAQAP automated compliance checking software installed; HL7 message compliance checking complete for Lipids and Urea Electrolytes and Creatinine requests from August 2019 IEQA Survey.
- * New questionnaire being drafted to gain wg member thoughts on improving SPIA compliance, adoption, and implementation throughout Australia and RCPA's role in progressing pathology informatics work
- * Prof William Rawlinson presented for the National Microbiology Webinar Series on 26 August *Virology and Diagnosis of the virus causing COVID19 disease SARS CoV2* which incorporated slides on the importance of utilising standardised requesting and reporting terminology as recommended by RCPA for a range of primary and secondary purposes

Working Group 2 – Terminology Development Chair – Lawrie Bott

TD Chemical Pathology – No meetings August 2020

TD Chemical Pathology Subject Matter Expert – Meeting 10 (Blood Gases & POCT) – No meetings August

TD Chemical Pathology Subject Matter Expert – Meeting 02 (Protein electrophoresis), 04 August 2020

- * Improvements to Draft SPIA Exemplar Reports for Protein electrophoresis content suggested; now updated
- * 11 core LOINC terms approved; 7 additional LOINC terms approved for Immunofixation, light chains etc

TD Haematology – No further meetings, all terms reviewed

TD Immunopathology – No further meetings, all terms reviewed

TD Microbiology, Serology & Molecular Biology – Meeting 12, 04 August 2020

- * Further updates endorsed for existing four COVID-19 SNOMED requesting terms and synonyms + 11 COVID-19 LOINC reporting terms and synonyms, now aligned with [Public Health Laboratory Network](#), [World Health Organisation](#) and [International Classification on the Taxonomy of Viruses](#)

Working Group 3 – Systems Design and Compliance Chair – Vanessa Cameron

No meetings August 2020

Working Group 4 – SPRC Infostructure and Conformance Chair – David Ellis

Meeting 20 – 25 August 2020

- * National Cancer Screening Register (NCSR) went live 22 August with 1) [Healthcare Provider Portal](#) 2) Integration with GP desktop software, trialing first with Best Practice using electronic forms for Bowel & Cervical cancers
- * RCPAQAP are trialing Beta version of automated Conformance checking software – first results are expected first week September
- * Colorectal Cancer, Polypectomy & Endometrial Cancer protocols transformed into FHIR resources; additional refinement underway with publication expected by 31 October 2020
- * PathNotes software to be trialed on Sonic's test server soon, with Melanoma to be first trial protocol

Working Group 5 – Report Standardisation Chair – Graham Jones

Meeting 25 – 04 August 2020

- * Straw man proposal for GP download test reports discussed, including main aim to maximise awareness of report content, enabling consumers to find results quickly, reduce chance of missed results & duplicate testing
- * Straw man examples to be expressed as Excel spreadsheets, including relevant SNOMED requesting code and LOINC reporting codes

Meeting 26 – 18 August 2020

- * Strawn man examples discussed further with agreement on which tests to be reported as single entities and those to be reported as a group
- * Wg5 members in attendance agreed subject matter experts will need to endorse final Straw man examples before circulating widely