

**PITUS 18 – 20 Working Groups Update December 2019**

- \* All PITUS Working Group members requested to review the following draft NPAAC guidelines:
  - 1) [Requirements for Information Communication and Reporting \(Fourth Edition\)](#)
  - 2) [Requirements for the Communication of High Risk Pathology Results \(First Edition\)](#)
  - 3) [Requirements for point of care testing \(Second Edition\)](#)
- \* Feedback welcome via [pitus@rcpa.edu.au](mailto:pitus@rcpa.edu.au) or via [NPAAC Secretariat](#) utilising the [Public Consultation Template](#) identifying NPAAC document reviewed. **NOTE: Public consultation period closes 27 January 2020**

**Working Group 1 – Evaluation and Promotion** Chair – Michael Legg

**Meeting 18 – 12 November 2019 – No meetings this month**

**Working Group 2 – Terminology Development** Chair – Lawrie Bott

**TD Chemical Pathology – Meeting 8 03 December 2019**

- \* 10 new LOINC terms approved; 6 LOINC terms rejected; 23 LOINC terms for follow-up

**TD Chemical Pathology Subject Matter Expert Meeting 5 (Blood Gases & POCT) – 10 December 2019**

- \* Mapping of LOINC reporting & SNOMED requesting terms completed for: Arterial, Arterial cord & Venous specimens
- \* Mappings of LOINC reporting & SNOMED requesting terms progressed for: Venous cord specimens

**TD Haematology – No meetings this month**

- \* 10 terms remaining for review & endorsement (SNOMED: 4 Transfusion + 6 Haem and LOINC: 2 Haem)

**TD Immunopathology – No meetings this month**

**TD Microbiology, Serology & Molecular Biology – Meeting 8 17 December 2019**

- \* 45 new LOINC terms approved; 12 LOINC terms rejected; 5 LOINC terms for follow up

**Working Group 3 – Systems Design and Compliance** Chair – Michael Legg

**Supplemental Meeting 2 (Plan for NCTS tool development) – 17 December 2019**

- \* Updates from Meeting 1 on 06 November 2019 incorporated into Draft Plan v0.4; content discussed with further updates endorsed by all subject matter experts
- \* Wg3 tasked to review Draft Plan v0.5 out of session with all feedback requested by 03 February 2020
- \* Feedback to be incorporated in Final Draft to be tabled at PITUS Steering Committee on 11 February 2020

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

**Meeting 13 – 03 December 2019**

- \* Wg4 to engage with [Smart Reporting GmbH](#) re use of structured reporting solution for clinical pathology: decision trees, artificial intelligence algorithms & speech recognition to form customisable, machine-readable templates
- \* National Bowel Cancer Screening Polyp Site, Polyp Type & Polyp Severity datasets revised with wg4 input
- \* Work progressing with adenoma detection rates Key Performance Indicators for Cancer Australia
- \* FHIR spreadsheet development for Polypectomy protocol translation in progress

**Meeting 14 (supplemental) IBM work – 10 December 2019**

- \* IBM running philanthropic project via [Union for International Cancer control](#) (UICC) program [City Cancer Challenge](#) (C/Can) to develop web-based reporting system for nine countries without adequate facilities for screening, diagnosis & management of cancer
- \* Wg4 planning capabilities for alignment of a range of electronic SPRC reporting across various applications e.g UICC & Smart Reporting

**Working Group 5 – Report Standardisation** A/Chair – Michael Legg

**Meeting 18 – 10 December 2019**

- \* Flags decision tree document (including policy development) reviewed and updated
- \* Multi-level Flagging of results discussed at length including number of flags to be utilised, flag symbols & flag definitions
- \* Incorporate relevant content from NPAAC Requirements for the Communication of High Risk Pathology Results content into Flags decision tree document for review by wg5