

PITUS 18 – 20 Working Groups Update
May 2019

Working Group 1 – Evaluation and Promotion Chair – Ken Sikaris

Meeting 11 – 07 May 2019

- * Launch of pilot PTAP program to begin with Chemical Pathology labs currently enrolled in RCPAQAP Serum Liquid Chemistry program
- * NPAAC Committee members to reconvene soon to progress the review of NPAAC Requirements for Information Communication with respect to advocacy of SPIA Standards for NATA accreditation
- * ADHA proposing use of RCPA SPIA synonyms to improve My Health Record search engine

Meeting 12 – 21 May 2019

- * Identification of labs to pilot PTAP program complete
- * HL7 AU Workshop (Brisbane) exceeded capacity; Press coverage included 4 Pulse+IT articles
- * Work progressed with Australian Pathology Informatics (API) Meta-terminology

Working Group 2 – Terminology Development Chair – Lawrie Bott

TD Chemical Pathology Meeting 4 – 07 May 2019

- * 8 new/updated LOINC terms approved; 2 LOINC terms rejected
- * Terminology for blood gases and urines to be collated and reviewed holistically

TD Microbiology, Serology & Molecular Biology Meeting 4 – 28 May 2019

- * Nil new/updated LOINC terms approved or rejected due to reduced meeting attendance
- * Work progressed with Australian Pathology Informatics (API) Meta-terminology

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

Meeting 10 – 07 May 2019

- * Updated agreement between RCPA & ADHA re access to National Clinical Terminology Service website & publishing of SPIA standards as FHIR resource has been endorsed by RCPA & forwarded to ADHA; Once signed by ADHA, publication work to commence immediately

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

Meeting 7 – 07 May 2019

- * Mapping of data elements for CAP CR Colorectal Protocol + NZ HISO Bowel Screening + RCPA SPRC progressing
- * Contacted ICCR to request prioritisation of 4 SPIA protocols, with top priority for updates to Polypectomy and local resections of the Colorectum required to support development of the Australian National Bowel Cancer Screening Register

Working Group 5 – Report Standardisation Chair – Graham Jones

Meeting 8 – 14 May 2019

- * Australian Pathology Informatics (API) Meta-terminology being developed in collaboration with PITUS wg subject matter experts to develop a definitive list of pathology concept definitions for use by all Laboratory Information Systems (LIS)
- * Work progressed to determine commonality among “Top 40” list of privately & publicly used report titles (as per OBR4) to assist with standardising pathology & clinical software vendor terminology
- * Ongoing planning regarding multi-level flagging for critical / important results

Meeting 9 – 28 May 2019

- * Work progressed with flags including rendering principles and flags available in HL7 v2 & FHIR
- * Work progressed with report headings including location of heading types in HL7 messages
- * Work progressed with Australian Pathology Informatics (API) Meta-terminology