

Cancer Diagnosis, Prevention & Treatment in Iraq: Strengthening Laboratory Capacity through Accreditation & Quality Assurance and Good Clinical Laboratory Practice

Introduction to international laboratory accreditation & quality assurance: leadership workshop

26th – 28th June 2018, London, England

Learning Objectives

This workshop aims to:

- Provide an overview of the critical importance of the relationship between quality diagnostic laboratory services and improved cancer detection, prevention and surveillance;
- Offer a high-level summary and introduction to international laboratory accreditation, the ISO 15189 International Standard and the concepts of laboratory leadership and quality management;
- Enable senior key decision/policy-makers and leaders from the Ministry of Health (MOH) and Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research (MHESR) to understand the strategic importance of their role in championing and facilitating the implementation of a programme of laboratory improvement measures that will lead to international accreditation; and
- Contribute to the development of national protocols and guidelines for the early detection and diagnosis of cancer.

Learning Outcomes

On completion of this workshop, attendees will have gained a thorough understanding of the following:

- Why quality diagnostic laboratory services are an essential component for achieving reliable cancer detection, prevention and surveillance systems;
- The role of international laboratory accreditation, the ISO 15189 International Standard and necessary stages that must be undertaken to attain such accreditation;
- Laboratory leadership and quality management in practice; and
- Their individual and collective roles in facilitating and championing international laboratory accreditation in Iraq.

Continuing Professional Development (CPD)/ Continuing Medical Education (CME)

This workshop has been jointly accredited by The Royal College of Pathologists and the UK Accreditation Service for CPD/ CME credit. Attendees may claim up to (xx) CPD/CME credits and certificates of attendance will be issued.

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Programme

Day One: Tuesday 26th June 2018	
Time	Programme
09:00	Refreshments
09:15	Welcome & Introductions Dr Maadh Aldouri, Director of International Affairs, The Royal College of Pathologists Paul Stennett, Chief Executive, UKAS
09:35	The Iraqi National Programs for Early Detection of Breast Cancer and Cancer Research: A Focus on the Role of Pathologists. Prof. Dr. Nada Alwan, Director, National Cancer Research Centre/Program, MoHESR Executive Director, National Program for Early Detection of Breast Cancer Challenges Facing QA/QC Measures of Pathology Laboratories in Iraq Dr. Mohsin Abid Ali, Chairperson, Arab Board for Health Specialization in Pathology, MoH Prof. Alaa Abdul Ghani, Dean, Nahrain Medical College, MoHESR
10:20	Benefits of Accreditation Paul Stennett, Chief Executive, UKAS
10:40	Break
11:00	Route to Accreditation Lorraine Turner, Technical Director, UKAS Delia Geary, Technical Manager-Medical, UKAS
12:30	Lunch
13:30	Considerations & Common Problems Lorraine Turner, Technical Director, UKAS Delia Geary, Technical Manager-Medical, UKAS

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Time	Programme
14:45	Training & Development of Staff Lorraine Turner, Technical Director, UKAS Delia Geary, Technical Manager-Medical, UKAS
15:15	Break
15:30	Training & Development of Staff (Cont.)
16:00	Questions & Discussion
16:30	Summary & Closing Remarks
17:00	End of Day One

Day Two: Wednesday 27th June 2018

Time	Programme
09:00	Refreshments
09:15	Welcome, Introductions & Objectives Dr Rachael Liebmann, Vice President for Communications, The Royal College of Pathologists
09:30	Developing National Protocols & Guidelines for the Early Detection & Diagnosis of Cancer Dr Rachael Liebmann, Vice President for Communications, The Royal College of Pathologists
10:15	Laboratory Systems Strengthening: The LabSkills Model & Approach Rosemary Emodi, International Manager, The Royal College of Pathologists
10:45	Working Groups: Leadership for Change: The Relationship between Leadership & Quality Management Dr Mark Howard, Consultant Histopathologist and RCPATH Country Advisor for the Ukraine
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Working Groups: Leadership for Change: Individual and Collective Responsibilities Dr Mark Howard, Consultant Histopathologist and RCPATH Country Advisor for the Ukraine
15:30	Questions & Discussion
16:15	Summary & Closing Remarks
17:00	End of Day Two
18:30	Dinner



Day Three: Thursday 28th June 2018

Time	Programme
10:30	Kings College Hospital – Laboratory Site Visit (Kings College Hospital NHS Trust) Dr Jon Salisbury, Consultant Histopathologist & Clinic Lead of Histopathology
12:30	Lunch
14:00	Practical Requirements of ISO Accreditation (Kings College Hospital NHS Trust) Mr Lawrence Doey, Laboratory Manager & Inspector for Laboratory Accreditation Dr Anwar Alhaq, Chief Clinical Scientist
15:30	Planning Session: Debrief, Discussion, Next Steps & Timetable Dr Maadh Aldouri, Director of International Affairs, The Royal College of Pathologists
17:00	Summary & Closing Remarks
17:30	End of Day Three