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Laboratory Manager
Participating Laboratory

Dear Madam/Sir,

Re: Extension of Scope of Quality Assurance Programmes:
***Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Susceptibility Testing and Viral Nucleic Acid Testing**

On behalf of Hong Kong Institute of Medical Laboratory Sciences Quality Assurance Programme (HKIMLSQAP), I am happy to inform you that HKIMLSQAP has successfully extended the accreditation status of Hong Kong Accreditation Service (HKAS) to the quality assurance programme in *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* susceptibility testing (<http://www.itc.gov.hk/en/quality/hkas/doc/hoklas/PTP003.pdf>) on 8th November, 2012, in addition to the acquisition of HKAS-accreditation to the programme in virus serology on 26th October, 2010.

HKIMLSQAP is committed to enhance and promote the standards of medical laboratory sciences by providing external quality assurance programmes to medical laboratories. To-day, HKIMLSQAP announces the launching of two additional programmes namely, *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* susceptibility testing and viral nucleic acid testing, to medical laboratories in Hong Kong and vicinity. Currently, HKIMLSQAP offers eight proficiency testing schemes covering acid-fast bacillus smear examination, anatomical pathology, clinical chemistry, haematology and serology, medical microbiology, *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* susceptibility testing, viral nucleic acid testing and virus serology, and two interpretative programmes, clinical microbiology and haematology. Details are accessible online at <http://hkimlsqap.org>.

On behalf of HKIMLSQAP and HKIMLS, I thank you for your continuous support and enthusiasm making HKIMLSQAP a successful platform to maintain inter-laboratory comparability.

Sincerely yours,

Kent Tsang
Chairman 2011-2012
HKIMLSQAP