

# IAMM-External Quality Assessment Scheme (New Delhi)

**Brochure-2024** 

# IAMM EQAS NEW DELHI TRUST

Under the aegis of IAMM Department of Clinical Microbiology & Immunology,

Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, Rajinder Nagar, New Delhi-110 060 (INDIA)

#### Dear Participants,

#### Season's greetings from IAMM EQAS NEW DELHI!

Thank you all for your support to our NABL accredited EQAS program over the last years. Our aim is to validate the competency of the participating centers in India in the hope of ensuring standardized diagnostic capability.

We have been running IAMM EQAS Microbiology efficiently for the last nine years and successfully completed the first cycle of Molecular Microbiology, a new Tier of EQAS New Delhi in the year 2023.

The Tier-1 EQAS (Microbiology), accredited as PT providers by NABL includes smear reporting, identification of organisms from culture and susceptibility testing along with infectious disease serology testing.

The Tier-2 EQAS (Molecular Microbiology) includes testing for five parameters: Quantitative HBV, Quantitative HCV, Quantitative HIV-1, Quantitative CMV, and Qualitative MTB.

To enroll for the above mentioned programmes kindly visit our website <a href="https://www.iammeqasdelhi.com">www.iammeqasdelhi.com</a> (Detailed procedure for enrollment is included on page number 2-3).

Note: Those already registered with us and would like to continue (renewal) for the year 2024 need to renew their registrations for the year 2024. The registrations for the year 2024 begin from 1st January, 2024.

We request all participants to register online via the link provided above. The annual registration payment can be made on-line through our payment gateway on our website. We encourage our participants to use on-line portal for payment. Wishing each of you a prosperous 2024!

With Best Wishes

Dr. Chand Wattal, Chairman, IAMM EQAS New Delhi

## To Know Before you enroll!

- 1. Any laboratory that performs bacteriological/serological/molecular microbiology testing is eligible to participate in this program.
- 2. Please use the official or designated email id for enrollment. All correspondence would be sent ONLY to that email id.
- 3. There should be a designated contact person with whom we can correspond, should any query arise
- 4. Please inform the IAMM EQAS office of any change in contact details immediately.

# **Important Information**

- Participants are free to enroll in IAMM EQAS New Delhi at any point of year with the following conditions: Participants should submit completed enrollment form along with the fees at least 15 days before the commencement of the next cycle. e.g., participants wishing to join from March, 2024, should complete the joining formalities by 15<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2024. If the request is received after that, then the participants' cycle will start from July, 2024.
- In no case will the PT items be sent again.
- Only soft copies of your reports need to be sent for evaluation.
- A participant must participate in at least two of the three challenges per year to be eligible for the annual participation certificate.

## **Registration Procedure**

#### **Existing Participants**

Those already registered with us and would like to enroll for the 2024 cycle can **use the existing username and password** to enter the website and follow the steps mentioned below:

- Go to Website: www.iammegasdelhi.com
- Login through User ID (Center code) & Password and click on "submit" button.
- Click on "Dash board"
- Click on Renew Enrollment Enrollment form will get auto-filled with previous details. Kindly update the form if there are any changes in your details like Organization Name, Address, Contact no. with mail ID and EQAS scope. Once you complete the enrollment procedure with DD/ NEFT details, click on "Submit renewal".

In case you have forgotten your password, click on forgot password and enter your user ID (Centre code) and your registered mail ID and then submit. A new password would then be generated automatically and sent on registered mail id.

 NOTE: - Do not use the New Enrollment icon for renewal. If you go for the new enrollment, you will loose all the previous records of your performance in your login ID.

## **Registration Procedure: New Participants**

- Go to Website: <u>www.iammeqasdelhi.com</u>
- Click on the Enrollment form menu
- Click on the "New Enrollment" tab
- Fill the Enrollment form and submit
- After successful submission of Enrollment form, you will get an email on registered email id.
- In case of payment by demand draft, kindly attach a printout of the enrollment form, with demand draft and post it to Dr. Chand Wattal, Department of Clinical Microbiology (IAMM EQAS New Delhi), Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, Rajinder Nagar, New Delhi 110060. Ph: 011-42251153, Mob: 91 8766342349 (From 9 AM to 5 PM).
- After verification of payment, you will be sent a unique user id and password.
- You can use this user id and password to login to <u>www.iammeqasdelhi.com</u>

## **Payment Procedure**

- The payment can be made both online and offline.
- For offline payment, a Demand Draft drawn in favour of "IAMM EQAS NEW DELHI TRUST" payable at New Delhi (Kindly see the registration fees panel for exact amount) along with the enrollment form has to be sent to: Dr. Chand Wattal, Chairperson, IAMM-EQAS New Delhi Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, Rajinder Nagar, New Delhi 110060
- For **Online payment**, money can be transferred via **NEFT** to the provided bank details

## **Bank Details for Online Payment**

$\square$ Account Beneficiary name : IAMM EQAS NEW DELHI TRUST
☐ Account Number : 91112010084978
☐ Name of the Bank : CANARA BANK
$\Box$ Branch : Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, Rajinder Nagar, Delhi- 110060
☐ IFSC code : CNRB0019111

- ➤ Kindly let us know the transaction details (UTR. No.) through email: iammeqas.dlh@sgrh.com, if you have made the payment by NEFT / RTGS / PFMS with centre code and organisation name. Otherwise we will not be able to trace your credited payment into our bank account for enrollment of EQAS.
- After completion of registration and payment, login using you DLH code and password. Click on the "view/download invoice" tab on the dashboard and download your invoice.

## **Panels and Registration Fees-2024**

#### **Tier-1: Microbiology**

S. No.	Component	No. of samples x Frequency per year	Cost of the Panel (Including 18% GST)
1.	Smear for staining and reporting	3 x 3	
2.	Bacteriology culture for organism identification and antimicrobial susceptibility testing	3 x 3	INR 9,440/-
3.	Bacterial and BBV Serology	8 x 3	

- The **Microbiology** proficiency testing packages will be dispatched in the month of **March**, **July**, **and November**.
- PT Scheme remains the same in each round: 3 Smears; 3 Bacterial Cultures; and 4 Lyophilized serum samples for bacterial and 4 for BBV serology.

#### **Tier-2: Molecular Microbiology**

S. No.	Component	No. of samples x Frequency per year	Cost per component (Including 18% GST)
1.	Quantitative HCV	2 X 2	10, 856/-
2.	Quantitative HBV	2 X 2	10, 856/-
3.	Quantitative HIV-1	2 X 2	10, 856/-
4.	Quantitative CMV	2 X 2	10, 856/-
5.	Qualitative MTB Complex	2 X 2	10, 856/-

<sup>•</sup>The **Molecular** Microbiology proficiency testing packages will be dispatched in the month of **May and October**.

<sup>•</sup>PT Scheme remains same in each round, with 2 samples for each analyte for which the participant registers.

#### Scope

#### **Tier-1 EQAS: Microbiology**

- **1. Smear:** Participants will be provided three slides (1.1, 1.2, and 1.3), which they will need to stain as per the question and report their findings and interpretations. This question analyses the proficiency of participating labs in following staining methods:
- Gram Staining
- Albert Staining
- ZN Staining
- Kinyoun Staining
- **2. Culture Identification and antimicrobial susceptibility staining:** This includes Culture Identification (Manual/Automated) upto species level and antimicrobial susceptibility (Kirby Bauer/MIC method). Any three lyophilized bacterial cultures will be provided to the participants (2.1, 2.2, and 2.3).
- **3. Serology:** The participants will be provided four serum specimens each for bacterial serology and blood borne viruses (BBV) serology.

#### 3.1 Scope for Bacterial Serology:

- Hepatitis B serology (Anti-HBs, HBsAg, HBeAg, Anti-HBc)
- Hepatitis C serology
- Hepatitis A serology
- Hepatitis E serology
- HIV serology
- Syphilis serology (RPR)
- Rubella, CMV, Herpes serology (IgG, IgM)
- Salmonella serology (Rapid/ELISA tests for IgM)
- Dengue serology (IgM/NS1Ag)
- CRP
- · RA Factor
- ASO

#### $3.2\,Scope\,for\,BBV\,Serology:$

Hepatitis B Serology Hepatitis C Serology HIV Serology

## Scope

### **Tier-2 EQAS: Molecular Microbiology**

For Molecular Microbiology, the participants will be provided two samples for each diagnostic test they register for.

- Quantitative CMV
- Quantitative HBV
- Quantitative HCV
- Quantitative HIV-1
- Qualitative MTB Complex

### **Contact Information**

For any queries contact us at: 08766342349/011-4225-1153 or iammeqas.dlh@sgrh.com

With Best Wishes

Dr. Chand Wattal Chairman IAMM EQAS NEW DELHI