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**Subject:** Assistance in TAT reduction

Hi all

Recently, Cathie, Kirsten and I had some discussions with senior QPS members. Part of the discussion was on TATs.

An outcome was that QPS requested a working party be established with some of our staff to work collaboratively with QPS to work on further strategies to reduce our TAT (for all DNA priorities). Cathie has requested herself, myself and Kirsten on this group.

In order to get opinions on bottlenecks and potential strategies from more active practitioners than myself, I have asked Kylie, Allison and Josie to assist me. In the next few weeks, you may be contacted by one or more of these fine people to identify more things that could be worked on. I would expect potential strategies to be provided to them for the identified bottleneck.

The priority tasks are already with Josie and Allison and that is a review/assessment or the 1EVD/EVDREV, and a review/reassessment of the auto-mic values and what we are actually getting at the end of the day (given two years of data). Both projects could have outcomes that have a real positive affect on our TAT.

Please be aware of this and I trust you will all assist where you can.

Thanks

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