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AGENDA

Chairperson:	VKI	Date and Time:	28 July 2008 11.00am – 12.30pm
Venue:	FSS Conference Room 611	Contact:	
Attendees:	VKI, JAH, AAP, AM, AJS, EJC, KDR, PAC, PT, TEN, WH		
Apologies:	CJA , RS		
Guests:			

Follow up meeting on preliminary DNA IQ audit report

 Audit report has been prepared – currently in draft. PAC agrees with comments made in the draft report. Audit report covers process from start to finish.

Summary found at -

I:\AAA Analytical Section\Adverse event investigations\IQ extraction evaluation July 2008\DNA IQ troubleshooting strategy 25-7-08.doc

Agreed with findings and actions. Steps to commence -

- Troubleshooting look at performance of pipettes and syringes
- Review of methods, programs by PerkinElmer and other labs using multiprobe (not limited to those using platforms for forensic work). Look at enhancing existing program. Including review of deck positions.
- Look at assessing current maintenance and ascertain whether additional maintenance steps are required.

All of the above actions can run concurrently.

- All extractions to stop on the platforms immediately. Return to chelex and nucleospin extraction* (*as required)
- Availability of bench space is an issue. Tom and Allan to manage extractions with current amount of staff and using current bench space.
- Currently approx 6 batches that have had off deck lysis completed will now have manual IQ performed. Notes must be included that detail what steps will be taken to do this.
- How & When to return to using platforms?
 Discuss regularly at Management Team meetings to identify a decision point.



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- A Virtual Extraction plate (mini extraction plate) to be done of everything processed since implementation of platforms (October 2007). A team will be but together to review these results. (team = staff from the Reporting teams). Need to cross check all extraction plates priority plates first (most plates will have a priority 1 sample on them).
- VKI will forward a briefing to executive.
- Separate correspondence to be prepared for QPS regarding manual extraction processes / audit findings / timeframe reduction.
- Susan Brady, Angelina Keller, Rebecca Gregory to obtain the required information from AUSLAB (approx 140 batches) for the checking to commence. TEN to prepare a brief procedure on the process.
- Team Leaders to meet with their teams this afternoon (briefly) to advise of the outcomes of this meeting, with a full team meeting planned for tomorrow (Tuesday 29 July).
- Follow up individual team meetings to occur after this whole team meeting to answer any queries.
- Reporting of samples from October until present Case Scientists to decide on a case by case basis.