

## **TRANSITION PERIOD FOR ACCREDITATION OF POINT OF CARE TESTING (POCT)**

During the 13th ILAC General Assembly held on 20 October 2009, the ILAC Resolution GA 13.25 was adopted. The General assembly resolved that when accrediting Point of Care Testing (POCT) units, the following applies with a transition period of two years from 20 October 2009 to 19 October 2011;

1. All parts of ISO 15189 shall be covered (with the exception of exempted clauses as indicated in ISO 22870) when accrediting POCT using ISO 22870.

2. The certificate of accreditation shall refer to both ISO 15189 and ISO 22870.

SANAS is now ready to receive applications from the Medical laboratories that wish to apply for POCT; the application process was previously put on hold. For more information, please contact **Christinah Leballo** on [christinahl@sanas.co.za](mailto:christinahl@sanas.co.za)

ISSUED BY: **Christinah Leballo**

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## **A LIST OF CERTIFICATES ISSUED BY SANAS ACCREDITED VERIFICATION AGENCIES**

A notice containing a list of BBBEE verification agencies whose accreditation is withdrawn is available on the SANAS website, under the following link:  
<http://home.sanas.co.za/?cat=5>

BBBEE certificates issued by the Verification Agencies before the withdrawal date, remains valid for a period

not exceeding 12 months from the date of issue, except for instances where it is found during the validity period of the certificate, that the information contained therein is inaccurate or has changed to the extent that it does not represent the organisation's BBBEE status.

ISSUED BY: **Christinah Leballo**

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## **CONFORMANCE TO ISO/IEC TS 17021-3**

The General Assembly, acting on the recommendations of the Technical Committee, resolved to endorse ISO/IEC TS 17021-3 *Conformity assessments - Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems - Part 3: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of quality management systems, as a normative document to be applied in conjunction with ISO/IEC 17021 for QMS.*

The transition period to ISO/IEC TS 17021 - 3 is two years from 02 May 2013. The deadline for Certification bodies to conform is 02 May 2015.

NOTIFICATION ISSUED BY THE IAF SECRETARY:  
**Joan Brough-Kerrebyn**

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## **OUR MISSION**

To create an impartial and transparent mechanism for organisations to independently demonstrate their competence and facilitate the beneficial exchange of goods, services and knowledge, and provide a service that is recognised as equitable to best international practice while reflecting the demographics of South Africa in all that we do.



# PUBLICATION OF THE SANAS TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND THE NEW APPLICATION FORMS

The New Terms and Conditions for Accreditation (F 147), the Terms and Conditions for GLP/GCP Compliance (F 199) and the revised application forms are available on the SANAS website. The Terms and Conditions for Accreditation replaces the SANAS Accreditation Agreement, which is now obsolete.

The new application forms (F 14's) incorporate the old Approval of Personnel Form (F 18) which is also

now obsolete. This change means that once an application form is signed, the applicant automatically accepts the Terms and Conditions of Accreditation / GLP Compliance.

During the course of the year, SANAS will be introducing the electronic application system. We encourage electronic submissions once the process is implemented.

ISSUED BY: Yolanda Vinnicombe

## DIARY DATES:

The dates listed are of important forthcoming national accreditation-related events of interest to our stakeholders:

### AUGUST 2013

#### *Regulator's Breakfast Session*

Date: Wednesday, 07th

Venue: Pretoria

#### *Risk Based Inspection and Accreditation Awareness workshop*

Date: Thursday, 15th

Venue: Pretoria

### SEPTEMBER 2013

#### *Communication meeting*

Date: Wednesday, 18th

Venue: Durban

#### *Communication meeting*

Date: Friday, 20th

Venue: Cape Town

#### *Communication meeting*

Date: Thursday, 19th

Venue: Port Elizabeth

#### *Communication meeting*

Date: Monday, 23rd

Venue: Gauteng

For more information contact Nombongo Ngobe on [nombongon@sanas.co.za](mailto:nombongon@sanas.co.za)

## NEW APPOINTMENTS

We would like to announce the appointment of staff members as from 1 July 2013.

- Ms Mokgadi Rameetse - B-BBEE Field Manager
- Ms Mpho Mukhahuli - Creditors Administrator
- Ms Tshilidzi Mutavhatsindi - Office Administrator
- Ms Dimakatso Sefuli - Administrator

We would like to welcome them to the SANAS family and wish them well in their positions.

