



# Birmingham Quality News



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## UK NEQAS Clinical Chemistry

UK NEQAS Clinical Chemistry meetings 2026

18.05.26 – Glasgow ●  
19.06.26 – Belfast ●  
22.06.26 – Liverpool ●  
14.07.26 – London ●

**Moving from an unchained melody  
to stable harmony:  
using EQA for consistent and  
safe patient care**

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### Scheme Updates:

- Thank you to everyone who has returned a purchase order for their participation in 2026/27. If you have not yet done so, please send to [birminghamquality@uhb.nhs.uk](mailto:birminghamquality@uhb.nhs.uk) as soon as possible.
- The last distribution of the fortnightly *Clinical Chemistry scheme, Distribution 1212*, has now left the building and should have reached you. *Distribution 203* will be your first distribution of the Monthly Clinical Chemistry scheme, with specimens dispatched on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2026.
- We are currently undertaking another Short Synacthen Test interpretation exercise in the *UK NEQAS for Steroid Hormones* Scheme. If you are an NPEX/LabgnosticEQA user, please ensure that you log in to the Results and Reports website to report your interpretations. We are now monitoring compliance with all aspects of Schemes. We do reserve the right to suspend automated transfer of results if you are not fully engaging with the Scheme.

### EQA Nuggets:



You can see your at a glance performance for all schemes on the Pan-NEQAS Dashboard. The dashboard can be accessed from the Results and Reports page via the red **Dashboard** button. Training videos for use of the Dashboard are available under the **Education** button.

### You may have missed:

**Shift happens: the utility of external quality assessment data in evaluating folate lot changes**

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