



# 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 ●

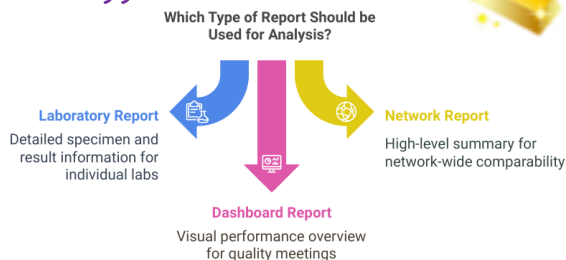
**Moving from an unchained melody  
to stable harmony:  
using EQA for consistent and  
safe patient care**

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### Scheme Updates:

- Please see Q&A for [UK NEQAS for Monthly Chemistry Distribution 203](#) where we are looking at calcium method classification and post-calibration 'fudge factors'.
- We are in discussions with our EQA colleagues from Noklus (Norway) about their NOPAM initiative which allows Laboratories to upload patient median data as another quality indicator to augment IQC and EQA. Please contact us if you are interested in being involved.
- We are trialling a new material for pH in our UK NEQAS for Fluids and UK NEQAS for Urine Chemistries Schemes. This will allow a larger volume to be available. Please see flyer with your May distributions; however, if you are not registered for EQA for pH, you may now want to consider enrolling. Please contact us if you are interested.
- Please see commentary on [UK NEQAS for Steroid Hormones](#) Scheme related to our interpretative exercise on Short Synacthen Tests.

### EQA Nuggets



Taken from: *Scheme Design for UK NEQAS Clinical Chemistry Division Description and Rationale*

### You may have missed:

We strive to build the most up-to-date science from external meetings into our Schemes.

See pages 45 to 46 of LabMed News from April 2026 (<https://labmed.org.uk/our-resources/news/labmed-news-april-2026.html>) where Sarah Davies summarises key themes from the JCTLM Members' and Stakeholders' meeting and Workshop (December 2025).