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This will be the last Covid-19 update for a while

We have taken the view that there is now no need to keep giving regular updates on our services because we have managed to offer a full service throughout this first phase.

We hope that during these difficult times this has allowed our Participant Laboratories to have that extra reassurance that EQA gives.

Should there be any new developments or if we have to change schedules, we will of course inform our Participants via our usual routes.

I hope we are not tempting fate, but we are acutely aware that everyone is being bombarded with Covid-19 bulletins. Sometimes it is difficult to see the wood for the trees. We are not trying to underplay the seriousness of the situation, but we are just carrying on as calmly and professionally as possible.

The information and disinformation on Covid-19 shows no signs of abating. Despite the potential for revised lockdowns and changes to self-isolation protocols and whether the Canaries count as 'mainland' Spain or whatever, we here at Birmingham Quality are succeeding in offering a full service in the same way as most of us across the country have coped. All of our regular UK NEQAS Laboratory services are essentially running 'Business as Usual'.

We hope that during the 'holiday' period as many people as possible can have a rest. We are acutely aware that some households have been directly impacted by the disease itself. Similarly, some have been hit by the financial and employment fall out in the wake of Covid-19, and so unfortunately not everyone will be enjoying the sunshine.

Regards to all

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