

Activities

The NCG Guideline manual was released in November 2021 and is now available on NCG website. For details on guideline manual and other activities please visit:
<https://tmc.gov.in/ncg/indec.php/guidelines/guidelines-manual1>

Message from NCG

Dear Members,

This issue of the NCG Newsletter focuses on the NCG EQAS activity. The issue highlights the need and importance of EQAS, and benefits of participation. About nine new centres have NCG in past few months. It's a pleasure to introduce them and welcome them all.

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New Members

NCG Members

- National Members
- Shalby Hospital, Jaipur, , Rajasthan
- Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Cancer Hospital, Kolkata, West Bengal
- Rise to survive cancer, Gurgaon, Haryana
- Sahyadri Hospitals, Hadapsar, Pune
- Solapur Cancer Centre Solapur ,
- Narayana Superspeciality Hospital, Gurugram
- Rajagiri Hospital, Aluva, Kerala
- Dharan Cancer Speciality Centre Pvt. Ltd Salem, Tamil Nadu
- SRJ CBCC Cancer Center Indore, MP

International Member

- Jigme Dorji Wangchuk National Referral Hospital, Thimphu Bhutan.

Events

Activities

- NCG Events
- Integrated Modules on Palliative and cancer training - Head and Neck Cancer- IMPaCT HN supported by the NCG e-learning platform
- Quality Improvement Methodology, NCG QI Hub - EQuIP (Enable Quality, Improve Patient care), Project ECHO in collaboration with Stanford University
- NCG Endorsed events
- ASCO Palliative care e-course 'APCeC' , 2-3 & 9 -10 October 2021, Tata Memorial Hospital

National Cancer Grid External Quality Assurance System(NCGEQAS) Program in surgical pathology and molecular pathology



What is NCGEQAS?

The National Cancer Grid External quality assurance system seeks to provide EQAS services for surgical pathology in the country. The NCGEQAS was started under the aegis of National Cancer Grid (NCG) to work towards a common practice for all. The NCGEQAS Program is funded by NCG. It aims to share experiences and guide participants on common errors that impact quality of surgical pathology.

The NCG EQAS has different modules – Viz., Immunohistochemistry (IHC) and Tissue Processing (TSP), H & E EQAS to all the reporting guidelines. it is noteworthy to mention that this is the only EQAS that runs a Minimum data set module in the world and it has helped ensure that awareness of oncology practices across the country have improved.

Participants

Presently 174 centres (well established oncology centres and small private practices) have enrolled, of whom 105 centres have enrolled for IHC EQAS and remainder participate in H&E/TSP modules.

Benefits of participation This is the only nationwide EQAS program under NCG. The expert panel is equipped in understanding regional issues and can offer solutions to improve practice to improve quality. NCG EQAS has helped several centres to change practices based on recommendations from experts.

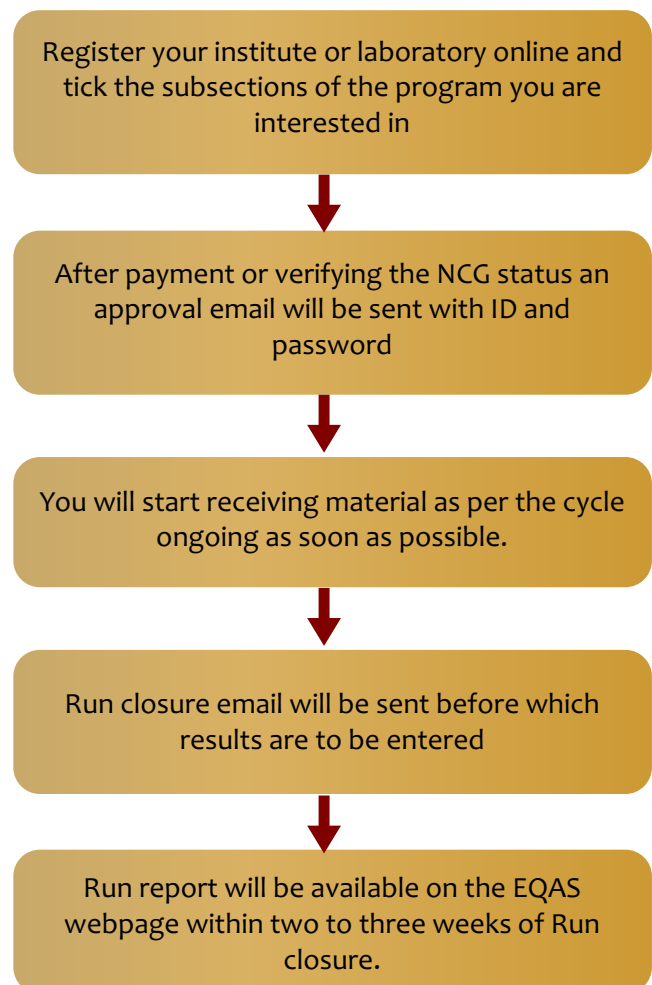
<https://tmc.gov.in/ngc/index.php/ngc-eqas>

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How to participate?

The participating details are available on NCG website. Click on the link below or copy paste the link in your browser and follow the steps listed in the flow chart.



Molecular Pathology Quality Assurance Program (MPQAP)- Supported by NCG



The MPQAP EQAS program started in 2018, provides proficiency testing for 25 molecular diagnostic centers across the country free of cost without compromising on the quality. Active response from participating centers has strengthened the goals of this program which now aims to extend its services to neighboring countries as well.



Appeal

- NCG library has Akshara - The NCG Discovery tool, which allows searching approximately 17000 biomedical and medical journals. This has IP based access. Please share the static IP addresses / changes / updates for your centre with joshi.mva@gmail.com to facilitate wide access of the tool.
- Please visit the list of centres on NCG website and verify your institutional details and revert for any changes / corrections to joshi.mva@gmail.com
- We request all the members to submit/update all Annexures (I, II, III) and forward these to - ncg@tmc.gov.in
Annexures are available at <https://tmc.gov.in/ncg/index.php/ncg-members/become-a-ncg-member>