Medical Research Institute, P.O.Box 527, Danister de Silva Mawatha, Colombo 08.

10/07/2023

Consultant Histopathologist,

Dear Madam / Sir,

National External Quality Control Program in Cellular Pathology Technique 2023 conducted by the Medical Research Institute (MRI)

National External Quality Control Program in Cellular Pathology Technique 2023 conducted by the Medical Research Institute (MRI) will be started from the 1st of August 2023. The list of registered hospitals are given below in Annex III. If you are not already registered, you can get registered by filling the attached form (Annex II) and emailing to eqamri@gmail.com or posting it to MRI. After registration you are kindly expected to send to MRI the 1st H & E stained histology (NOT FNAC) slide of the three most recently reported cases (Total of 3 H & E stained slides). Slides should be labeled with the Number of your centre/1/23 HE. Each institution is given a specific number. The number of your centre is given in Annexure III. Please be kind enough to send all three H & E stained slides in a slide box marked with the name and the specific number of your institute. This should be accompanied by a fully completed form in Annex II

The slides are accepted at the Pathology Department, MRI from;

1. 1st of August to 31st of August

All the submitted slides are anonymised, so that assessments are carried out blind. Complete participant confidentiality is maintained throughout all of our processes. Assessment will be done on processing, sectioning, staining and mounting by two assessors. Each assessor completes an assessment form and data from these forms are converted into a mark out of 5. The results are sent via email and post to the addresses given in the form. Results include the mean score for H & E staining.

You are welcome to contact our department for further assistance if necessary. The contact details and the form to be filled are annexed as I and II respectively. The allocated number of your centre is annexed as Annex III.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

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