

The laboratory shall actively engage in demand optimisation, design both to reduce the number of unnecessary tests and to help ensure that appropriate tests are used	In date Policy		In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy
Laboratories shall demonstrate commitment to sustained innovation in their services through continuous quality improvement (CQI), which may include conducting formal academic research and evaluating novel approaches aimed at improving	In date Policy		In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy	In date Policy
The proportion of inpatient results required for discharge available at time of need	100%		Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future
Average number of blood draws per patient episode.	Monitoring		Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future
% of blood culture bottles that meet the minimum fill level of 20ml	100%		Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future	Future

KEY

Datix - a web-based system that is used for the reporting and
RIDDOR - Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences
MHRA - Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency
HTA - Human Tissue Authority
HFEA - Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority
HSE - Health and Safety Executive
DHSC - Department of Health and Social Care
POCT - Point-of-care testing
FBC - full blood count
RT-PCR - Reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction
ISO - International Organization for Standardization
EQA - external quality assessment
NICE - National Institute for Health and Care Excellence
MDT - Multidisciplinary Team