

Republic of the Philippines Department of Health NATIONAL REFERENCE LABORATORY





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To all our NRL - EOHTM NEQAS participating laboratories,

Greetings of Good Health!

The National Reference Laboratory for Environmental and Occupational Health, Toxicology and Micronutrient Assay (NRL – EOHTM) has decided to **cancel the 2020 Proficiency Test** for Water Testing and Drug Testing Laboratories in relation to the current COVID – 19 National Health Emergency.

With this cancellation, payments from the laboratories who have registered for the NEQAS will be carried over to the 2021 NEQAS testing.

As per Health Facilities Services Regulatory Bureau (HFSRB) advice, the **registration period will be extended up to July 31, 2020** for both the Drug and Water Proficiency Testing (PT) Scheme.

NRL – EOHTM will be issuing **Certificate of Enrollment** for all participating laboratories who have successfully registered for both Water and Drug 2020 PT Program.

For additional information, please contact us via nrleamcdoh@yahoo.com.

Very truly yours,

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