



Laboratory Accreditation System Executive Committee

Thursday

1:15-3:15 PM



Membership

- Anne Marie Allen
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- Jo Ann Boyd
- Carol Barrick
- Kristin Brown
- George Detsis
- Dan Dickinson
- Terri Grimes
- Carol Haines
- Roger Kenton
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- Julia Sudds

Chair

- Kirstin Daigle

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- Ilona Taunton



Agenda

- Update on Activity Since January
- AB Task Force Recommendation 6
- Standards Interpretation Requests (SIR)
- Implementing New Standards





AB Task Force Report

The AB Task Force presented a report to NELAP that included findings and recommendations for improving the effectiveness of the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program.

- 8 Recommendations

Option 6 was assigned to the LASEC





AB Task Force Option 6

- Sharing of Information and Resources
 1. Explore the use of sharing assessors or assessment Reports between states
 2. Develop process for sharing form letters for assessment and related activities
 3. Use TNI Assessment Forum and Mentor Sessions as springboard to develop best practice sharing between AB's
 4. Establish a Discussion Board to improve the sharing of information among State Assessors





LASEC and New Standards

- Review Process - Update Draft SOP
 - *General Process*
 - *Suitability Review*

What is suitability in the context of the TNI Standard and how do we review for it?



Definition

Suitability: the ability of a standard to meet the needs of its stakeholders.

Challenge: What is suitable for one stakeholder may not be suitable for another



Suitability Review

How should the LASEC perform this review?

- Review the standard?
- Review the consensus process used?
 - ✓ Verify SOPs were followed?
 - ✓ Verify stakeholder comments were resolved?
 - ✓ What else?

