

TCEQ Laboratory Accreditation Program (LAP) Update

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Agenda

- Presentation

Current Status

Recent Changes

Future Plans

- Q&A Session

Current Status

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- ~ 256 Accredited labs
 - 151 Primary
 - 101 Secondary
 - 4 Primary and Secondary
- 8 assessors and 1 records specialist
- In 2018:
 - Performed 73 on-site assessments
 - Reviewed 88 initial and amendment applications
 - Reviewed 49 Technical Manager qualifications
 - Reviewed 1,958 PT results

Current Status

- Frequently Asked Questions Page
 - On TCEQ LAP web page
 - https://www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/qa/env_lab_accreditation.html
 - Expanded periodically
- Subscribe to LAP email updates

Recent Changes

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- Implementation of New Method Update Rule (MUR)
 - Added EPA 608.3, 624.1 and 625.1 to Fields of Accreditation 4/12/19
 - TCEQ Water Quality Division (WQD) will accept data from previous MUR up to 8/31/19
 - WQD determining timeframe for compliance with MUR – possible stakeholder's meeting
 - Contact WQD with questions regarding MUR: gregg.easley@tceq.texas.gov

Recent Changes

- Implementation of New Method Update Rule (MUR)
 - Applications received after 5/28/19 may not be reviewed by 8/31/19
 - Ensure SOPs comply with new methods

Recent Changes

- Public Water Supply Supervision Program (PWSSP) QAPP
 - Adherence to the QAPP is outside of LAP's Scope
 - Contact Water Supply Division with questions regarding QAPP requirements:
gary.regner@tceq.texas.gov
 - PWSSP will be presenting Wednesday 2:30 pm

Future Plans

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- Implementation of 2016 TNI Standard
 - Effective 1/31/20
 - TCEQ will begin assessing to 2016 TNI Standard on 1/31/20
 - *General Guideline:* Laboratories may transition to portions of the new standard prior to implementation date provided that the requirement in the new standard is not less stringent than the requirement in the current standard
 - Use TNI as a resource

Q & A Session

Ken Lancaster: Program Manager

J. Steven Gibson, Ph.D.: Senior Technical Auditor

Laura Higgins: Senior Microbiologist

Frank Jamison: Records Specialist