

**International Federation of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine**  
**Working Group “Laboratory Errors and Patient Safety”**

**MODEL OF QUALITY INDICATORS FOR GENETIC DIAGNOSIS**

The following Quality Indicators have been proposed by Prof. Wang Qingtao (Beijing CCL Director) and Drs. Zhou Rui (Beijing CCL- Lab Manager) and aim the performance improvement in Genetic Diagnosis.

| <b>KEY PROCESSES</b><br><b>SPECIFIC QUALITY INDICATORS – PRIORITY 1</b> |               |                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                  |                                                      |                                                                                                                                           |
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| <b>Quality Indicator</b>                                                | <b>Code</b>   | <b>Reporting Systems</b>                                                                       | <b>Data Collection</b>                                                                                                                           | <b>Time</b>                                          | <b>Explanatory Note</b>                                                                                                                   |
| <b>INTRA-ANALYTICAL</b>                                                 |               |                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                  |                                                      |                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>DNA extraction success rate</b>                                      | Intra-DNA Ext | Number of one time successfully extracted samples/total number of samples;                     | a) count number of one time successfully extracted samples<br>b) count total number of samples extracted<br>c) calculate percentage              | Data collection:<br>Every day<br>Input data: Monthly | DNA extraction success = extracted samples which pass internal extraction QC                                                              |
| <b>Library QC success rate</b>                                          | Intra-Lib     | Number of one time library pass QC/total number of library                                     | a) count number of one time library pass QC<br>b) count total number of library<br>c) calculate percentage                                       | Data collection:<br>Every day<br>Input data: Monthly | Library QC success = libraries which pass internal library preparation QC                                                                 |
| <b>Sequencing success rate</b>                                          | Intra-Seq     | Number of one time library sequenced successfully samples / total number of sequencing samples | a) count number of one time library sequenced successfully<br>b) count total number of library<br>c) Calculate percentage                        | Data collection:<br>Every day<br>Input data: Monthly | Sequencing success = libraries which pass internal sequencing QC                                                                          |
| <b>Date analysis success rate</b>                                       | Intra-Dat     | Number of one time successfully analysed samples / total number of analysis samples            | a) count number of one time successfully analysed samples<br>b) count total number of samples analysed<br>c) calculate percentage                | Data collection:<br>Every day<br>Input data: Monthly | Date analysis success = samples which pass internal data analysis QC                                                                      |
| <b>POST-ANALYTICAL</b>                                                  |               |                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                  |                                                      |                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Report error rate</b>                                                | Post-Err      | Number of rectified reports by laboratory after the release / total number of released reports | a) count number of rectified reports by laboratory after the release<br>b) count total number of released reports<br>c) calculate the percentage | Data collection: Every day<br>Input data: Monthly    | Rectified reports include inappropriate/ missed interpretative comments or wrong patient's details                                        |
| <b>Report delay rate</b>                                                | Post-Del      | Number of delayed reports/ total number of reports                                             | a) count number of delayed reports<br>b) count total number of reports<br>c) calculate percentage                                                | Data collection: Every day<br>Input data: Monthly    | Delayed reports = reports which are over the TAT committed by laboratory<br>TAT=from sample reception by laboratory to release of result; |

**KEY PROCESSES**  
**SPECIFIC QUALITY INDICATORS – PRIORITY 3**

| Quality Indicator                                              | Code                  | Reporting Systems                                                                           | Data Collection                                                                                                                                               | Time                                                                                         | Explanatory Note                                        |
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| <b>The positive rate of EGFR- lung cancer</b>                  | Post-Rate-EG FRLu     | Accumulate EGFR mutations of lung cancer samples/Accumulate lung cancer samples             | a) accumulate number of EGFR mutations of lung cancer samples<br>b) accumulate total number of lung cancer samples<br>c) calculate the percentage             | Data collection: Monthly<br>Input data: Accumulate samples taken before the statistical time | The detection rate of EGFR gene in lung cancer          |
| <b>The positive rate of BRAF- melanoma</b>                     | Post-Rate-BR AFMe     | Accumulate of BRAF mutations in melanoma samples/Accumulate melanoma samples                | a) accumulate number of BRAF mutations in melanoma samples<br>b) accumulate total number of melanoma samples<br>c) calculate the percentage                   | Data collection: Monthly<br>Input data: Accumulate samples taken before the statistical time | The detection rate of BRAF gene in melanoma             |
| <b>The positive rate of RAS- colorectal cancer</b>             | Post-Rate-KR ASClo    | Accumulate KRAS mutations of colorectal cancer samples/Accumulate colorectal cancer samples | a) accumulate number of KRAS mutations of colorectal cancer samples<br>b) accumulate total number of colorectal cancer samples<br>c) calculate the percentage | Data collection: Monthly<br>Input data: Accumulate samples taken before the statistical time | The detection rate of KRAS gene in colorectal cancer    |
| <b>The positive rate of ALK fusion- lung cancer</b>            | PosT-Rate-A LKLun     | Accumulate ALK fusion of lung cancer samples/Accumulate lung cancer samples                 | a) accumulate number of ALK fusion of lung cancer samples;<br>b) accumulate total number of lung cancer samples<br>c) calculate the percentage                | Data collection: Monthly<br>Input data: Accumulate samples taken before the statistical time | The detection rate of ALK fusion gene in lung cancer    |
| <b>The positive rate of ROS1 fusion- lung cancer</b>           | Post-Rate-RO S1Lun    | Accumulate ROS1 fusion of lung cancer samples/Accumulate lung cancer samples                | a) accumulate number of ROS1 fusion of lung cancer samples<br>b) accumulate total number of lung cancer samples<br>c) calculate the percentage                | Data collection: Monthly<br>Input data: Accumulate samples taken before the statistical time | The detection rate of ROS1 fusion gene in lung cancer   |
| <b>The positive rate of IDH1/IDH2 /TERT-glioma</b>             | Post-Rate-ID H/TERTGI | Accumulate IDH1/IDH2/TERT mutations of glioma samples/Accumulate glioma samples             | a) accumulate number of IDH1/IDH2/TERT mutations of glioma samples<br>b) accumulate total number of glioma samples;<br>c) calculate the percentage            | Data collection: Monthly<br>Input data: Accumulate samples taken before the statistical time | The detection rate of IDH1 / IDH2 / TERT gene in glioma |
| <b>The positive rate of Her2 amplification – breast cancer</b> | Post-Rate-Her 2Bre    | Accumulate Her2 mutations of breast cancer samples/Accumulate breast cancer samples         | a) accumulate number of Her2 mutations of breast cancer samples<br>b) accumulate total number of breast cancer samples<br>c) calculate the percentage         | Data collection: Monthly<br>Input data: Accumulate samples taken before the statistical time | The detection rate of Her2 gene in breast cancer        |