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Ref: Expression of interest on new Working Group under TF-POCT

"How should Glucose Meters be Evaluated for Critical Care"

To: All National Representatives of the Full and Affiliate Member

Societies

All Corporate Members' Representatives

Dear Colleagues,

I am happy to announce we have our first working group for the POCT Task Force. It will be "How should Glucose Meters be Evaluated for Critical Care".

Terms of Reference for the working group will be:

 Evaluate the clinical practice of using blood glucose meters for critically ill patients.

2. Determine the requirements a glucose meter need to full fill in order to be used for critically ill patients

Propose what internal- and external quality control systems that should be present.

4. Evaluate which, if any, of the present instruments in the market fulfil these criteria.

5. Provide recommendations for training and competency of users in critical care areas.

6. Ensure recommendations align with other stakeholders.

Cynthia Bowman has agreed to chair this working group.

As IFCC Members you are invited to contribute to and support the newly created WG by submitting nominations for Members.

Nominations comprising a CV for the nominee and a letter of support on behalf of the IFCC Members, should be sent **by February 15th**, **2013** to the IFCC Office (<u>ifcc@ifcc.org</u>), copying Rosy Tirimacco (<u>Rosy.Tirimacco@health.sa.gov.au</u>) and Cynthia Bowman (cynthia.f.bowman@gmail.com).

Looking forward to receiving your nominations, I thank you and remain

Sincerely yours

Ms. Rosy Tirimacco Chair IFCC TF-POCT