

CMGS Audit 2006-7

Thanks to all the hard work done by individual labs in providing the data for the annual audit. All but (the usual) one regional lab returned data and most labs did this in reasonable time. The final straggler submitted data on 7th Jan 2008 which meant the final audit did not go out until 21st Feb.

Data has been shared with the DH who were interested in progress made on reporting times and with GAIC who are interested in the number of predictive tests that may impact on insurance claims. The latter have passed on their thanks.

“The Committee, and the Department of Health, find this data enormously helpful, ... We know it is no easy task, and we are most appreciative of your efforts here.

As you know, one area that was discussed was the categorisation of results into predictive tests and confirmatory tests, and the Committee's view was that greater distinction between the two would be of value.

GAIC however expressed concern and disappointment that, as with previous years, at least one laboratory has refused to submit data to your audit. Is there anything we can do to help here?