

Memorandum

Date: October 23, 2019

To: TNI Accredited PT Providers and PT Provider Accreditors

From: TNI Proficiency Testing Program Executive Committee (PTPEC)

Regarding: Implementation of the 2016 TNI Standard Volume 3

As previously announced in a memorandum from PTPEC dated 4-24-2019, all TNI PT Providers shall implement Section 5.9 of Volume 3 of the 2016 TNI Standard on the implementation date set by the NELAP Accreditation Council for Volume 1, **January 31, 2020**. The purpose of today's memorandum is to address the implementation schedule for the remainder of Volume 3 of the 2016 TNI Standard.

TNI PT Providers will be assessed to the 2016 TNI Standard Volume 3 according to a schedule arranged between the PT Provider and their PT Provider Accreditor no later than January 31, 2021. The accreditation decision must become effective no later than March 31, 2021.

Regardless of the date that a PT Provider becomes accredited to the 2016 TNI Standard Volume 3, in no event shall a PT Provider report PT results according to Section 5.9 of Volume 3 of the 2016 TNI Standard <u>prior</u> to January 31, 2020.

In addition, as the scoring of PT results will be updated to the 2016 TNI Standard Volume 3 criteria by all PT Providers on January 31, 2020, accreditation to the 2009 TNI Standard Volume 3 and 2016 TNI Standard Volume 3 will be deemed equivalent during the transition period until March 31, 2021.