

TNI PT Program Executive Committee

Meeting Summary

March 25, 2026

1. Roll call:

Chair, Susan Jackson, called the TNI PT Program Executive Committee (PTPEC) meeting to order at 11:00 AM ET on Wednesday, March 25, 2026 utilizing Microsoft Teams. Attendance is recorded in Attachment A – there were nine (9) voting members present. Associate member Thekkekalathil Chandrasekhar was also present.

Kevin Thompson of Waters ERA, elected to the committee and approved by the CSDP EC Chair was welcomed to the committee.

2. Approval/modifications of agenda

The revised agenda presented below was approved by unanimous consent.

3. Review and approval of the February 25, 2026 meeting minutes

The minutes from the February 25, 2026 meeting were presented for review. After review and a minor editorial correction, a motion by Amanda and second by Lisa to approve the minutes were unanimously approved by the committee with one abstention. Minutes will be forwarded to William for posting.

4. Analyte Codes for Additional PFAS Compounds

Paul Junio as LAMS coordinator advised the committee of 20 new analyte codes for PFAS compounds and requested confirmation that these analytes were not otherwise addressed in the FoPT tables. It was confirmed that said analytes were not currently included in FoPT tables. Susan will advise Paul and thank him for his inquiry.

5. Subcommittee Updates

- Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee

The subcommittee met on 2/5/2026 without a quorum. The meeting was dominated by discussion of the Uranium (mass) ARA. Amy shared on Teams a copy of the ARA for U (mass) and reviewed the history and background of the situation resulting in the ARA. Prolonged discussion proceeded on the topic and the question of why such an addition was necessary was raised, if the criteria are the same for

both U (mass) and U (activity). Meeting guest Robert Rossen (EPA contractor) raised the question of EPA approval/acceptance of PT providers for U. Only one PT provider is recognized for radiochemistry, but other vendors are providing PT samples containing U and subsequently being accredited by AB. The April meeting will include continuing discussion of the topic. Robert Rossen, Katie Hoffman (EPA), and Winsor Molnar (MN ELAP and cosponsor of the ARA) will be invited to attend the April meeting. Amy will also ensure a member of applicable PTP are present for the call. It is anticipated that the subcommittee recommendations regarding the ARA will be presented to the PTP EC following the April Meeting.

- WETT FoPT Subcommittee

PTP EC approved the revisions to the WETT FoPT table on 11/19/2025. The subcommittee is not active at this time and will only be reactivated if comments are received on the changes to the WETT FoPT tables. Comments closed on 1/31/2026 but no comments were received to. A website posting announcing the implementation date for the previously posted WETT FoPT table will be 6 months (i.e., 5/19/2026). Members questioned the effective date. The SOP requires 6 months from the posting date if no comments are received. The SOP Subcommittee was directed to review this requirement to avoid potential conflicts with the DMRQA schedule. The suggestion was to require 6 months after the close of comments.

- Complaint Subcommittee

The subcommittee met and following the appropriate SOP ascertained that the complaint was not valid primarily due to the fact that the analytes of concern were not included in TNI FoPT tables and subsequently not under the purview of the PTP EC. The PTP EC, following a motion by Tim and as second by Lisa unanimously approved the report. The complainant was notified of the decision through his participation in the call.

The issues presented in the complaint, regardless of being outside the committee's purview, were recognized as a problematic situation that requires TNI attention. The primary issues of laboratory practices of repeating PT finding for multiple methods and the effect of small data sets exacerbating the problem is a complex and multifaceted problem that will require input from all stakeholders. The PTP EC will recommend to the TNI BoD that a Task Force be initiated to address the situation and recommend appropriate resolution.

- SOP Subcommittee

The subcommittee has not met since the last PTP EC meeting. SOP 4-101 remains to be finalized. Minor comments will be addressed prior

to the April PTP EC meeting where the subcommittee will submit the SOP for full executive committee review and approval.

6. Five Year SOP Review

Bob reminded members of the TNI requirement for 5 year reviews of SOPs for which the Executive Committee is responsible. Two such SOPs, SOP 4-102 and SOP 4-108 require said review. Susan directed this task to the SOP Subcommittee for completion.

7. Draft SOP 4-109: PT Program Standards Review and Adoption

The previously reviewed and approved SOP 4-109 was rescinded at the request of PTP EC members to address comments from both Tim and Nick. Tim's comments have been presented and resolved. Nick has not provided any additional substantive comments; the document below represents the final draft approved by the super majority vote following a motion by Amanda and a second by Amy, and will be forwarded to the Policy Committee for review and approval.

PTPEC Member	Vote
Susan Jackson	aye
Amy DeMarco	aye
Marina Aziz	aye
Nilda Cox	aye
Jack Denby	-
Rachel Ellis	aye
Amanda Fehr	aye
Michella Karapondo	-
Tim Miller	aye
Kevin Thompson	aye
Prasanth Ramakrishnan	-
Patrick Selig	-
Lisa Stafford	aye



SOP 4-109 final
provisional 3.25.26.dc

8.Action Items

Bob has completed the review of action items previously discussed. By unanimous consent the noted as “strike through” in the February 25, 2026 minutes action items list will be archived.

9.New/old business

None presented.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35PM ET. The next meeting will be April 22,2026 at 11:00 AM ET utilizing Microsoft Teams.

PTPEC Committee Meeting

March 25, 2026; 11:00 AM ET

Agenda

Susan Jackson, Chair

Amy DeMarco, Vice Chair

1. Roll call
 - Welcome Kevin Thompson
 2. Approval/Modifications of Agenda
 3. Review February 25, 2026 meeting minutes
 4. Analyte Codes for Additional PFAS Compounds
 5. Subcommittee Updates
 - Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee
 - Status of Radiochemistry ARA Processing
 - WET FoPT Subcommittee
 - Complaint Subcommittee - Report
 - PTP EC SOP Subcommittee
 - Submittal of Final Draft of SOP 4-101
 6. Five Year Review of SOP 4-108 and 4-102
 7. Review and approval of SOP 4-109: PT Program Standards Review and Adoption
 8. Action Items
 9. New/old business
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Attachment A
Participants – Voting Members
TNI
Proficiency Testing Program Executive Committee

Members	Rep	Affiliation	Contact Information
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Prasanth Ramakrishnan_ (2027) Present	AB	IAS	pramakrishnan@iasonline.org
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Lisa Stafford (2028*) Present	Lab	Eurofins	lisa.stafford@et.eurofinsus.com

Attachment C: PTPEC Committee Action Item Summary - 2025

Item	Task Description	Document Number	Contact	Task Added	Start Date	Due Date	Complete Date	Comments
456	Update SOP 4-101: Recommendation, Evaluation, and Calculation of Acceptance Criteria and Applicable Concentration Ranges for Proficiency Tests	SOP 4-101	PTP SOP Subcommittee	2/18/21	2/18/21			2/18/21: Combined workgroup established to complete SOP. 3/18/21: workgroup met and SOP Subcommittee will send final DRAFT to Chemistry FOPT Subcommittee for examples. Update 8/17/22: Examples requested from Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee that has not met. PTPEC needs to talk about when the next limit updates will occur. 3/24/23: Examples have been added by Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee and resubmitted to the PT SOP Subcommittee. 6/23/23: Make sure SOP 4-101 includes procedures for how data is received. 11/29/23: Submitted to PTPEC for final vote. Vote will be in December. 12/18/23: Approved by Committee and sent to Policy for review. 6/26/24: The SOP was returned to the Committee from Policy for language review and content flow. 9/25/24: Amanda taking Chair role and working on SOP update.

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								12/18/24: Working on SOP. 6/23/25: SOP still in progress 2/25/26 final approval anticipated in March 26
460	Develop PT Program metrics			2/18/21	5/21/21			Update 8/17/22: Developed partially as Charter was updated. Need to formalize. 6/23/25: Committee needs to review charter and continue work on this. Put on August Agenda. (October Agenda?)
483	Update PTP SOPs to include procedure for including PTPAs in communication regarding PTPEC data requests.	Volume 4		9/25/24	TBD			2/26/25: SOP Subcommittee needs to identifying needed updates in response to pending Volume 4 update. 9/24/25 DS for EL V4 under review
487	10 Year Review of DW FoPT Table	DW FoPT Table	Amy					12/18/24: Inorganics and Metals have been calculated and review will begin. 6/23/25: Review ongoing
488	Develop way to streamline FoPT Table reviews.		Amy/Susan	3/26/25	TBD			3/26/25: Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee has developed a tool that will be used to streamline the process for preparing recommendations to the PTPEC at the completion of the 10 year review.

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489	One year review of new Radiochemistry Limits	DW FoPT Table	Amy	4/23/25	4/23/25			4/23/25: Data will be requested and review will begin after data is received. Requesting a Radiochemistry Expert Committee member join subcommittee during this review. 6/23/25: Review complete. Letter sent to EPA to consider updating MQOs.
491	PTPA Evaluations		Ilona	5/28/25	5/28/25			5/28/25: Requested volunteers to help with the evaluation. 7/23/25: 2 volunteers identified. Working on training in August.
493	Request Policy or SOP describing relationship between LAMS and PTPEC.		Susan	6/23/25	TBD			See closed Action Item 431.
494	Do first year review of new PFAS limits 1/1/26.		Chair -Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee	6/23/25	TBD			See closed Action item 459.
496	Send SOP Subcommittee minutes to Ilona for posting.		Amanda	7/23/25				
497	Consider status of SOP Subcommittee. Is this a Workgroup?		Ilona/Susan	7/23/25				Closed
499	Confirm New NPW/SCM FoPT tables have been added as the current table.		Susan	8/27/25				New tables 1/1/26
500	Submit email ballot for SOP 4-109	SOP 4-109	Bob	11/19/25	11/19/25	12/17/25	3/25/26	At request of members, SOP 4-109 subject to further debate, solicit comments/concerns in question

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504	Action Item review		Bob	12/27/2025	12/18/2025	1/28/2026	3/5/26	Revise list and archive old and completed items; seek executive committee approval
505	Secure Nick's comments on SOP 4-109		Bob	1/28/26		2/25/26	2/25/26	No substantive additional comments
507	Process ARA consistent with SOP 4-107		Susan/Bob	1/28/26	2/12/26	2/25/26	2/25/26	Valid ARA, consistent with SOP
508	Assign ARA resolution and implementation to Chem FoPT subcommittee		Bob	2/25/26	2/25/26			E-mail transmittal of information to Amy
509	Consider Combining all DW analytes into a single FoPT table		Susan	2/25/26	3/25/26			Add to March agenda
510	Website posting of implementation date for WETT FoPT Table		Bob	2/25/26				Implementation date 5/19/2026
511	Established Complaint Subcommittee		Amy/Bob	2/25/26				Supply necessary information to members of subcommittee
512	PFAS review requirements; insufficient data availability		Susan/Amy	2/25/26	3/25/26			Request extension of requirement
513	Send SOP 4-109 to Policy Committee for approval		Bob	3/25/26	3/25/26	3/25/26		Send to Patsy Root
514	Assign 5 yr review of SOPs to SOP Subcommittee	SOP 4-102 SOP 4-108	Susan/ Amanda	3/25/26				Assigned during meeting
515	Review SOP 4-107 for expiration date	SOP 4-107	Amanda	3/25/26				