

UKAS Accreditation in healthcare

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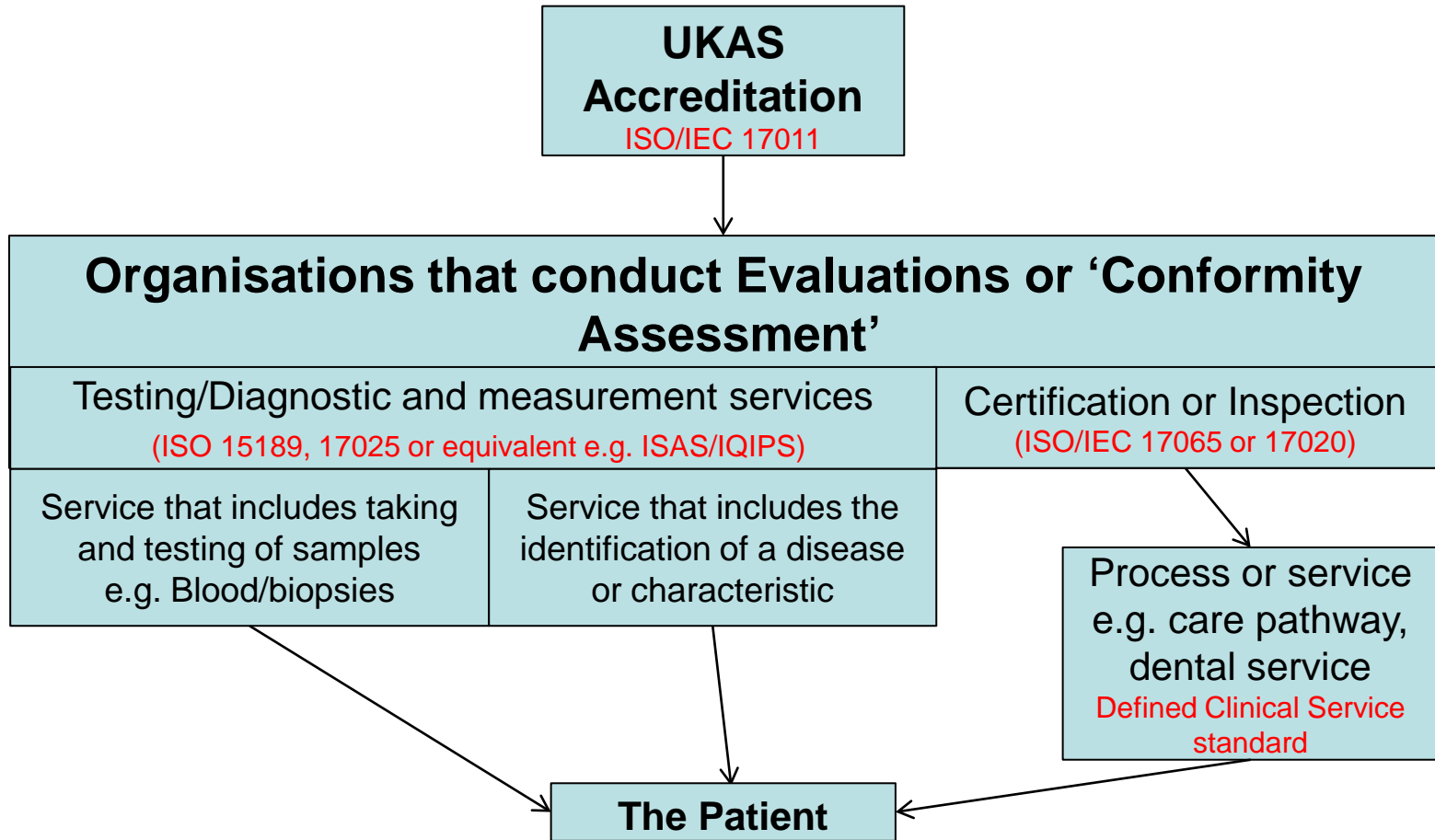
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UKAS – who we are

- Established 1995 by Ministers as a private company limited by guarantee
- Operates under an Memorandum of Understanding with UK Government
- Duty to act in the public interest:
commercially aware, but not commercially driven
- EU Regulation 765/2008 provided legal framework for accreditation
- Accreditation recognised as a public authority activity
- UKAS appointed as National Accreditation Body by The Accreditation Regulations 2009

Accreditation underpinning healthcare services





UKAS accreditation activities in Scientific and Diagnostic Services

- **Medical Laboratories**
- **Point of care testing**
- **EQA Schemes**
- **Physiological diagnostics**
- **Imaging Services Accreditation Scheme**
- **Medical physics and clinical engineering**



Current schemes

Medical Labs

- UKAS Acquired CPA UK in 2009
- Started transition to ISO 15189 in 2013
- Transition completed in Sept 2018
- 639 labs now accredited to ISO 15189
- 176 assessors trained
- CPA EQA transition ISO/IEC 17043 completed
- Further expansion of accreditation for POCT
- Links to forensic – development for sexual assault referral centres

Current schemes

- **Imaging Services, ISAS**
 - Developed in consultation with the Royal College of Radiologists and the College of Radiographers
 - Started in 2009
 - ISAS standard –mapped to ISO 15189
 - 31 accredited, 8 applicants
 - 50 in Traffic Light Ready pre-application
 - ISAS standard has been revised

Current schemes

- **Physiological Diagnostics, IQIPS**
 - Developed with Royal College of Physicians and Academy of Healthcare Scientists
 - Covers: audiology, cardiac physiology, vascular science, respiratory and sleep, gastro-intestinal, neurophysiology, urodynamics and ophthalmology/vision science
 - 70 accredited
 - 40 applicants
 - 119 Pre-application



New scheme

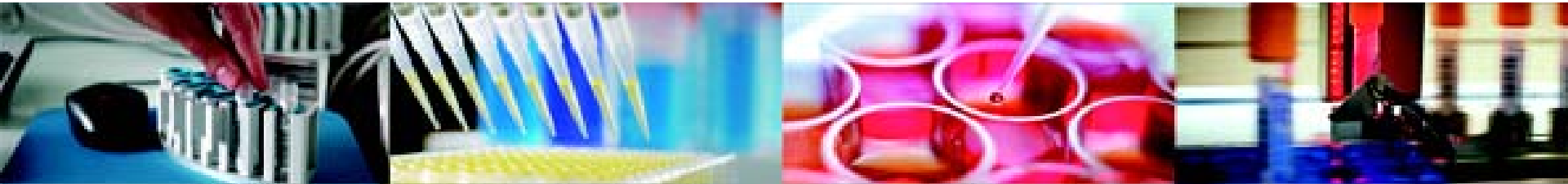
- **Medical Physics and Clinical Engineering**
 - National standard BS 70000
 - UKAS working with the Institute of Physics and Engineering in Medicine to develop scheme
 - 7 organisations involved in the pilot
 - Initial assessments undertaken covering:
 - Radiotherapy
 - Management of equipment

Other healthcare activities

- Accreditation of inspection bodies conducting:
 - Inspections of adult social care homes
 - Care pathways e.g. cancer care, diabetes etc
 - End of life care
- Accreditation of healthcare management systems (ISO 15224)
- Accreditation of service certification bodies:
 - Dental services
 - Clinical services e.g. psychiatry, anaesthesia
 - Training providers for treating patients with learning disabilities

Future vision

- Single standard for all scientific and diagnostic services
- Coordinated assessment across the whole hospital for scientific and diagnostics
- Regulators relying on accreditation to support their function
- Minimise or remove duplication of assessments conducted by regulators
- Use of other accredited mechanisms to provide confidence across patient pathways e.g. service certification, that includes accredited testing



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