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Terms Of Reference

• To promote quality in the use, performance, interpretation and reporting of POCT across the full spectrum of clinical chemistry and laboratory medicine
• To create a forum for high level discussion on a wide range of POCT related topics
• To provide international leadership for developing the clinical practice of POCT in Laboratory Medicine
PoCT Growth

• Infectious and hospital-acquired diseases to facilitate rapid diagnosis and screening for prompt and efficient patient care.
• Resource-limited settings, where there is a shortage of trained medical and laboratory staff.
• Old age homes and pharmacies
• Remote patient monitoring to manage chronic disease eg diabetes, COPD, heart failure, hypertension and cancer
Important Points for Successful PoCT Program

• Appropriate device selection
• Comprehensive training/certification program for users
• Appropriate quality testing
• Understanding of test limitations
• Connectivity to enable result sharing
• Integration into routine clinical care

If these points are addressed PoCT implementation should be successful providing positive outcomes for patients