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***Clostridium difficile* Scheme**

- For identification, characterisation and / or toxin testing
- Information on media and kits will be collected and presented
- Four distributions per year each containing two specimens
- Supplied as freeze-dried simulated faecal specimens
- (including commensal organisms)
- There is a two week period for participants to report results
- The intended results are available on the results and reports section of the website www.ukneqasmicro.org.uk on the day after the close of the distribution
- Reports normally issued within two weeks
- Country specific performance will be available where there are more than 10 participants in a country
- Benefits to participants:
 - Methods / kits based analysis
 - Increased range of strains
 - More frequent distributions of an important pathogen
 - Comprehensive reports
 - Helping participants to monitor conformance with their own quality standards
 - Optimised patient care through reliable patient results

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