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**To: IFCC Full Members Representatives  
IFCC Affiliate Members Representatives**

Dear IFCC Members,

One position of Member in the Task Force on Paediatric Laboratory Medicine (TF-PLM) is vacant for the term of office starting April 2017 for a 3 years term to December 2019. This letter asks for a nomination for this position.

The purpose of this Task Force is to develop procedures and processes to improve the diagnosis and management of patients from birth to adolescence

This Task Force will:

- Coordinate activities worldwide directed towards the establishment of reference intervals for laboratory test results in paediatric patients of all age groups.
- Form a sound support basis for the continuation of the International Congresses of Paediatric Laboratory Medicine, which have been very successful over the past 25 years.
- Create a worldwide network of scientists working in laboratories specialized in Paediatric Medicine.

**Activities of the Task Force will include:**

- Coordination, promotion and development of existing IFCC SD research activities associated with reference intervals. Existing regional groups within IFCC, e.g., the Nordic States (Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Finland and Iceland) are currently engaged in the development of Paediatric Reference values. By close interaction with this group and the IFCC SD, the Task Force will expand these activities to other regions of the world
- Establishment of a concept for the next International Congresses of Paediatric Medicine. As the preferred setting, the Congress will be held in conjunction with an IFCC meeting or a meeting taking place under the auspices of IFCC
- Regularly publish reports on the progress of the Task Force's activities and other relevant articles in the field of Paediatric Laboratory Medicine in the IFCC Journal.

The ideal nominee should have a comprehensive knowledge of Pediatric Laboratory Medicine, preferably with an international dimension, as well as a broad knowledge of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine. Fluent English in writing and speaking is essential.

**Nominations should be directly sent to the IFCC Office ([colli-lanzi@ifcc.org](mailto:colli-lanzi@ifcc.org)) before next March 20<sup>th</sup>.**

The information must comprise: 1) a full Curriculum Vitae describing his/her professional career particularly highlighting the issues which could be important for his/her selection, and including name, address, telephone and e-mail address of the nominee; 2) a letter of support from the IFCC Member; 3) a letter of acceptance of the nomination by the candidate.

I look forward to receiving your nomination.

Yours sincerely,



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