



International Federation of Biomedical Laboratory Science

# Guardians of Quality and Patient Safety: Biomedical Laboratory Scientists

The 15th of April, every year, is Biomedical Laboratory Science Day

This year the IFBLS Board has chosen the theme *Guardians of Quality and Patient Safety: Biomedical Laboratory Scientists*.

This theme is central to everything we do in our work.

We are committed to having Biomedical Laboratory Scientists who are highly educated and trained to deliver a clinical laboratory diagnostic service for our people. Each of us knows that behind every sample we analyse is a person who must be cherished.

The work that we do spans life from gestation through birth, childhood, adulthood and beyond.

As Biomedical Laboratory Scientists we use scientific evidence in the provision of screening and diagnostic information; specifically, how a laboratory analytic procedure is selected, used and applied in clinical decisions for screening and diagnostic purposes.

Biomedical Laboratory Scientists practice in a manner to ensure information derived from analyzing human specimens is safe, effective, patient-centered, timely, efficient and equitable.

A Biomedical Laboratory Scientist is a professional who must adapt constantly to many changes in their practice, reflecting the trends in analytical methodologies, and improvements in diagnosis and treatment of disease and health care settings.

Our poster celebrates Biomedical Laboratory Science Day. It encompasses the entire spectrum of a sample journey from the patient through the laboratory where it is the Biomedical Laboratory Scientist who uses the best methods, with quality assurance, to ensure the correct result which is then interpreted correctly leading to treatment of the patient.

I am proud to call myself a Biomedical Laboratory Scientist.

I hope that you will join with me, and your colleagues, in celebrating Biomedical Laboratory Science Day.

Yours sincerely,

Marie Culliton  
President

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