



MEMORANDUM

April 8, 2021

Memorandum to: A2LA Conformity Assessment Bodies (CABs)

CC: A2LA Staff

From: Trace McInturff, Vice President, Accreditation Services

**Subject: CAB Bulletin 2021-4 – COVID-19 April 2021 UPDATE**

Dear A2LA Customer –

There appears to be good news on the horizon as more and more COVID vaccines are being administered. However, we are not where we would like to be to return to onsite assessments as our primary mode of operation. As assessments currently being assigned are likely to be planned into the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, we are extending our remote assessment policy to the end of the third quarter 2021 (September 30, 2021). We will continue to monitor the situation and adjust accordingly.

**NOTE:** If you are amenable to *fully* hosting an assessor(s) on site for your upcoming A2LA Assessment (i.e., safely meet in the same room, have staff/technicians readily available onsite for interviews and technical demonstrations) please contact your Accreditation Services Officer (AcO) to discuss and request. A2LA has issued strict CDC compliant COVID protocols for our assessors to agree upon and follow when accepting an on-site assessment.

A2LA staff are readily available via usual channels. **Please reach out to your AcO if you have any questions, requests, input, etc.**

Thank you for your time and attention. Keep well!