

Ms Samantha Letsholo

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Ms Letsholo is a veterinarian with 12 years' experience in the public sector including veterinary laboratory diagnostics, implementation of the ISO 17025: 2007 std, auditing, and proficiency testing.

She has a bachelor's degree in veterinary science from the University of Queensland and a Master's degree in veterinary tropical diseases from the University of Pretoria. She is currently undertaking her PhD studies in medical sciences with the University of Botswana. Ms Letsholo is experienced in various areas of veterinary diagnostics including serology, virology, molecular biology and food microbiology, strategic planning, implementation of laboratory quality systems.

Ms Letsholo has played a pivotal role in implementing training and development in the Veterinary Diagnostics and Research subdivision. In particular, she has identified training needs within the subdivision especially in serology, virology and molecular biology and facilitated and organized trainings of BNVL staff and the IAEA fellows in virology and serological assays.

