We are pleased to announce that the National Institute for Minamata Disease has successfully transitioned from ISO/IEC 17025:2005 to ISO/IEC17025:2017.

The latest ISO/IEC 17025 standard, “General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories”, was revised in November 2017. We were accredited by the Japan Accreditation Board for mercury testing in human biomonitoring samples (hair and urine).

As both a mercury testing lab and a WHO Collaborating Centre, we aim to continue to support countries in strengthening their systems for monitoring health issues associated with mercury pollution.