

Forensic laboratories hit by results backlog

INSURANCE | A significant backlog at a number of the state's forensic laboratories has meant some consumers are forced to wait as long as two years before pathology results are available. As a result, insurance claims that rely on such tests could be considerably delayed, Justus van Pletzen, CEO at the Financial Intermediaries Association of Southern Africa, said yesterday. Forensic test results are often essential in serious cases such as those where someone has been killed or seriously injured in an accident. I-Net Bridge