

Inspector Instructions:



- Section director's/technical supervisor's qualifications and job description
- General supervisor's qualifications and job description
- Cytotechnologist's qualifications and job description

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CYP.07700 Section Director/Technical Supervisor - Cytopathology

Phase II

The cytopathology laboratory has a qualified pathologist as the section director/technical supervisor.

NOTE: The section director/technical supervisor of the cytopathology laboratory must be a doctor of medicine or a doctor of osteopathy licensed to practice medicine in the jurisdiction in which the laboratory is located.

For laboratories subject to US regulations, the section director must also be certified in anatomic pathology by the American Board of Pathology or the American Osteopathic Board of Pathology.

Individuals qualified and serving as a technical supervisor for high complexity testing in a CLIA-certified laboratory as of December 28, 2024, may continue to fill this role if they have done so continuously since December 28, 2024.

If more stringent state or local regulations are in place for supervisory qualifications, including requirements for state licensure, they must be followed.

For laboratories not subject to US regulations, individuals must meet national, state or provincial, or local laws and regulations, and education must be equivalent to US qualifications.

Evidence of Compliance:

- ✓ Records of section director/technical supervisor qualifications including degree or transcript, certification/registration, current license (if required) and work history in related field

REFERENCES

- 1) Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Clinical laboratory improvement amendments of 1988; final rule. *Fed Register*. 2023(Dec 28): [42CFR493.1449(e)].

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CYP.07800 Non-Supervisory Cytotechnologists

Phase II

All non-supervisory cytotechnologists meet at least one of the following qualifications.

1. Graduated from a school of cytotechnology accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP); or
2. Certified in cytotechnology by a certification agency approved by HHS (eg, American Society of Clinical Pathology); or
3. Qualified and served as a cytotechnologist in a CLIA-certified laboratory as of December 28, 2024, and have done so continuously since December 28, 2024*.

NOTE: If more stringent state or local regulations are in place for cytotechnologist qualifications, including requirements for state licensure, they must be followed.

For laboratories not subject to US regulations, individuals must meet national, state or provincial, or local laws and regulations, and education must be equivalent to US qualifications.

**Cytotechnologist personnel qualifications prior to December 28, 2024, may be found in the CAP Personnel Guidance Document located in e-LAB Solutions Suite on cap.org (log-in required) under Accreditation Resources - Accreditation Checklists.*