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**CYP.03850 Cytology Assessment Record****Phase I**

**If a statement of adequacy, preliminary diagnosis, or recommendations for additional studies is provided at the time of cytology sample collection, records of that statement are retained.**

*NOTE: Records might include a note in the patient's medical record or in the final cytopathology report.*

## **CYTOLGY STAINS AND SLIDE PREPARATIONS**

**Inspector Instructions:**

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Records of annual assessment of stain quality</li> <li>• Sampling of stain policies and procedures</li> <li>• Sampling of records of daily review of technical quality of cytologic preparations with corrective action of unacceptable stain quality</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sampling of stains (labeling)</li> <li>• Sampling of slides (labeling)</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How do you assess the quality of cytopathology stains?</li> <li>• Who performs the daily review of the quality of cytological preparations?</li> <li>• What is your course of action when stain quality is unacceptable?</li> <li>• How frequently do you change stains? Under what circumstances do you filter stains?</li> <li>• How do you assign expiration dates for laboratory-prepared stains and solutions? If you extend expiration dates, how do you do so?</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scan several slides; check stain quality and labeling. Ensure that stain quality is acceptable.</li> </ul>

**CYP.04100 Staining Solutions****Phase II**

**Staining solutions are filtered, covered when not in use, and changed in accordance with a defined schedule.**

**Evidence of Compliance:**

- ✓ Records of solution changes at defined intervals

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