The laboratory issues an amended report and promptly notifies the responsible clinician(s) when there are changes to reports that affect current patient care.

NOTE: The amended report must state the reason for the amendment. The format of amended reports is at the discretion of the laboratory.

Records of notification must include date, responsible laboratory individual, and person notified.

Evidence of Compliance:

- ✓ Patient reports containing reason for the amendment **AND**
- ✓ Records of notification

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): [42CFR493.1274(e)(6)].

CYP.06600 Report Retention - Cytopathology — Phase II

Cytopathology reports are retained for at least 10 years.

NOTE: Cytopathology reports must be retained in either paper or electronic format. If retained in electronic format alone, reports must include a secure pathologist electronic signature. Images of paper reports, such as microfiche, PDF files, including signature are acceptable.

REFERENCES

1) Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Clinical laboratory improvement amendments of 1988; final rule. *Fed Register.* 2003(Jan 24): [42CFR493.1105(a)(7)(i)(A)].
2) 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): [493.1274(f)(2) through (f)(4)].
3) College of American Pathologists. Retention of laboratory records and materials. Northfield, IL: CAP, current edition

CYP.06850 Correlation of Results - Non-gynecologic Cytopathology — Phase II

The cytologic diagnoses for non-gynecologic cytopathology cases are correlated with the results of specialized studies (eg, molecular studies, immunocytochemistry).

NOTE: It is not in the best interests of the patient to have potentially conflicting diagnoses or interpretations rendered by different sections of the laboratory. The pathologist should issue a report reconciling potentially conflicting data, when appropriate.

RETENTION OF SLIDES

Inspector Instructions:

READ	• Sampling of slide handling policies and procedures
OBSERVE	• Slide storage area (organized, accessible, slides easily retrieved)