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excellence in the practice
of **pathology** and
laboratory medicine worldwide.



Who We Are

As the world's largest organization of board-certified pathologists and leading provider of laboratory accreditation and proficiency testing/external quality assessment (PT/EQA) programs, **the College of American Pathologists (CAP) serves patients, pathologists, and the public by fostering and advocating excellence in the practice of pathology and laboratory medicine worldwide.**

Over 23,000 laboratories in more than **110+ countries** look to the CAP for its leadership, knowledge, and expertise.

Our **18,000+ global members**, many who guide our programs through their involvement on over **70 committees**, provide a unique network to stay current with—and rapidly respond to—changes in laboratory medicine and pathology.

What We Offer



Advance the accuracy of testing results, reduce risk and costs in operations, and optimize processes in far-reaching, systematic, and expansive ways



Provide impactful education to add value to the clinical care teams, ensuring excellent patient care



Stay at the forefront of medical laboratory science with content covering a broad range of topics



Promote the value of laboratory medicine worldwide and help protect scope of practice for US pathologists



Help CAP member pathologists to be successful in their career and strengthen pathology communities

Offering Laboratory Solutions to Ensure Quality Patient Care

Since its founding in 1946, the CAP remains focused on its mission and helping laboratories confront the unexpected with an extensive array of laboratory quality solutions. With proficiency testing/external quality assessment (PT/EQA) and accreditation programs at the core, these solutions ensure the highest quality of patient care by providing diagnostic confidence and operational excellence.



The CAP's comprehensive range of **PT/EQA programs** cover both clinical and anatomic pathology testing needs. Our programs are **continuously reviewed** by our 30+ scientific committees who update existing programs and introduce new ones **to address changes in practice** and evolving clinical needs to ensure accurate results.

Backed by our member expertise, our **Laboratory Accreditation program** keeps pace with the rapid changes in laboratory medicine. Our collaborative peer-inspection model and 20+ accreditation checklists **provide the guidance and clarity** laboratories need and help mitigate risk for effective quality management.

Quality improvement programs further support quality goals and business objectives. Calibration / Verification Linearity (CVL) programs **identify issues or changes** in instrument performance. Quality Management Tools (QMT) programs allow measuring and monitoring of **process improvements** and **benchmarking** against peers.

Extensive knowledge from our pathologist members builds our **educational programs and resources**. They range from online continuing education (CE) courses, staff competency assessment tools, and publications. We **provide practical insights** through case-based learning in anatomical, clinical, and molecular pathology.

We bring **evidence-based guidelines, checklists, protocols, and consensus recommendations** to the forefront of clinical decision making. These tools provide for **consistent and meaningful cancer reporting** while enabling health care professionals to manage and/or study clinical data for improved patient care.

With **more than 70 years of service** supporting laboratory medicine worldwide, the CAP is the partner of choice for organizations seeking to **advance accuracy, increase diagnostic confidence, reduce risk, and improve patient care**.

To learn more about how the CAP can help you achieve your laboratory quality initiatives, contact us at international@cap.org or visit cap.org/international.



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