

(3) Maintain duplicates of the original report, as well as the corrected report.

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**§ 493.1299 Standard: Postanalytic systems quality assessment.**

(a) The laboratory must establish and follow written policies and procedures for an ongoing mechanism to monitor, assess and, when indicated, correct problems identified in the postanalytic systems specified in § 493.1291.

(b) The postanalytic systems quality assessment must include a review of the effectiveness of corrective actions taken to resolve problems, revision of policies and procedures necessary to prevent recurrence of problems, and discussion of postanalytic systems quality assessment reviews with appropriate staff.

(c) The laboratory must document all postanalytic systems quality assessment activities.

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**Subpart L [Reserved]**

**Subpart M—Personnel for Nonwaived Testing**

SOURCE: 57 FR 7172, Feb. 28, 1992, unless otherwise noted.

**§ 493.1351 General.**

This subpart consists of the personnel requirements that must be met by laboratories performing moderate complexity testing, PPM procedures, high complexity testing, or any combination of these tests.

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**LABORATORIES PERFORMING PROVIDER-PERFORMED MICROSCOPY (PPM) PROCEDURES**

SOURCE: 60 FR 20049, Apr. 24, 1995, unless otherwise noted.

**§ 493.1353 Scope.**

In accordance with § 493.19(b), the moderate complexity procedures specified as PPM procedures are considered

such only when personally performed by a health care provider during a patient visit in the context of a physical examination. PPM procedures are subject to the personnel requirements in §§ 493.1355 through 493.1365.

**§ 493.1355 Condition: Laboratories performing PPM procedures; laboratory director.**

The laboratory must have a director who meets the qualification requirements of § 493.1357 and provides overall management and direction in accordance with § 493.1359.

**§ 493.1357 Standard; laboratory director qualifications.**

The laboratory director must be qualified to manage and direct the laboratory personnel and the performance of PPM procedures as specified in § 493.19(c) and must be eligible to be an operator of a laboratory within the requirements of subpart R of this part.

(a) The laboratory director must possess a current license as a laboratory director issued by the State in which the laboratory is located, if the licensing is required.

(b) The laboratory director must meet one of the following requirements:

(1) Be a physician, as defined in § 493.2.

(2) Be a midlevel practitioner, as defined in § 493.2, authorized by a State to practice independently in the State in which the laboratory is located.

(3) Be a dentist, as defined in § 493.2.

**§ 493.1359 Standard; PPM laboratory director responsibilities.**

The laboratory director is responsible for the overall operation and administration of the laboratory, including the prompt, accurate, and proficient reporting of test results. The laboratory director must—

(a) Direct no more than five laboratories; and

(b) Ensure that any procedure listed under § 493.19(c)—

(1) Is personally performed by an individual who meets the qualification requirements in § 493.1363; and