

	PRIMARY FUNCTION: GENERAL LABORATORY	POLICY#: CSRC-GPR 92
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SUBJECT: INTERMITTENT TESTING		

I. PURPOSE:

To define requirements that must be met prior to putting a previously discontinued test back into production.

II. PROCEDURE:

A. When a test is put back into production, the following requirements must be met:

1. PT or alternative assessment must be performed within 30 days prior to restarting patient testing.
2. Method performance specifications must be verified, as applicable, within 30 days prior to restarting patient testing.
3. Competency must be assessed for analysts within 12 months prior to restarting patient testing.

Note: Appropriate departmental preproduction test validations and method performance specification verification procedures should be utilized when reactivating intermittent tests.

For tests for which PT is required by CAP, if a PT challenge is not offered during the 30-day period prior to restarting patient testing, the laboratory may perform an alternative assessment of the test. In such a case, the laboratory must participate in the next scheduled PT event.

III. HISTORY:

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