

Dear Colleagues

We are pleased to announce that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Division of Laboratory Science and Standards is now offering a free online laboratory training module entitled “READY? SET? TEST! Patient Testing is Important. Get the right results.”

This training was developed to supplement other free educational materials already available from CDC to promote good laboratory practices and assure the quality of patient testing, especially in physician office laboratories and other sites that perform testing waived under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA). It includes practice exercises, job aids, and real-life testing scenarios to reinforce the learning process. After completing the module, participants may print out a Certificate of Completion and obtain continuing education credits offered to physicians, nurses, pharmacists, laboratory professionals, and others.

We encourage you to share this information broadly with colleagues who are concerned with promoting good laboratory practices, especially in waived testing sites. In addition, if possible, we would appreciate your organization or facility’s inclusion of an electronic link to the training and other educational materials at the following CDC website locations.

Available through the CDC’s website at: <http://wwwn.cdc.gov/dls/waivedtests/>

If you have any questions about the training or CDC’s materials to promote good laboratory practices for waived testing, please feel free to contact me. We appreciate your support of this initiative.

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