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Tom

Attached is table listing the routes for both ASCP and AMT for each category of license. Should help answer questions and can be used by the Board and Department when deciding on credentialing agencies. Let me know if there is anything else I can do to clarify information. If I do go out today I will have my cell-phone 907-223-3047.

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Heidi,

Please make revisions and send back to me.

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Category	Certification Requirements	
	American Society of Clinical Pathology ASCP Board of Certification (BOC) Applicants must satisfy the requirements of at least one of following routes to sit the certification exam	American Medical Technologists (AMT)
Medical Laboratory Scientist/Medical Technologist	ROUTE-1: A baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college/university including courses in biological science, chemistry and mathematics AND successful completion of a NAACLS accredited Medical Laboratory Science program within the last 5 years; OR ROUTE-2: MLT(ASCP) certification AND a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college/university, including 16 semester hours (24 quarter hours) of biological science (with one semester in microbiology), 16 semester hours (24 quarter hours) of chemistry (with one semester in organic or biochemistry), one semester (one quarter) of mathematics, AND two years of full time acceptable clinical laboratory experience in Blood Banking, Chemistry, Hematology, Microbiology, Immunology and Clinical Microscopy in the U.S., Canada or an accredited laboratory* within the last ten years; OR ROUTE-3: CLA(ASCP)** certification, AND a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college/university, including 16 semester hours (24 quarter hours) of biological science (with one semester in microbiology), 16 semester hours (24 quarter hours) of chemistry (with one semester in organic or biochemistry), one semester (one quarter) of	Applicant shall be a graduate of: a. an accredited medical technology program with a baccalaureate degree in medical technology, or b. an accredited college or university (or international equivalent as certified by a foreign transcript evaluation agency or foreign government licensing authority, as approved by AMT) with a baccalaureate degree including at least 35 semester hours of course work across various subjects related to the clinical laboratory sciences, such as biological science, microbiology, organic chemistry, biochemistry, mathematics, etc., and either I. completed an accredited academic program in medical technology following the earning of the baccalaureate degree referenced in "B" above, or II. completed at least one year of approved laboratory experience within the last five years (see definition of "approved laboratory experience" in part III below). With respect to eligibility routes 2A and 2B, educational programs acceptable toward meeting MT certification requirements must include laboratory experience as part of the curricula. Applicants graduating from academic programs that do not include an experiential component must obtain and document evidence of current laboratory experience prior to being eligible for certification.

Medical Laboratory Scientist/Medical Technologist continued	mathematics, AND four years of full time acceptable clinical laboratory experience in Blood Banking, Chemistry, Hematology, Microbiology, Immunology and Clinical Microscopy in the U.S., Canada or an accredited laboratory* within the last ten years; OR ROUTE4: A baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college/university, including 16 semester hours (24 quarter hours) of biological science (with one semester in microbiology), 16 semester hours (24 quarter hours) of chemistry (with one semester in organic or biochemistry), one semester (one quarter) of mathematics, AND five years of full time acceptable clinical laboratory experience in Blood Banking, Chemistry, Hematology, Microbiology, Immunology and Clinical Microscopy in the U.S., Canada or an accredited laboratory* within the last ten years. <i>*laboratory accredited by a CMS approved accreditation organization (i.e., AABB, CAP, COLA, DNV, The Joint Commission, etc.)</i> <i>**CLIA(ASCP) certification was discontinued in 1982. Only applicants previously certified as CLIA(ASCP) may apply under Route 3.</i>	Applicants seeking certification under eligibility routes 2A and 2B must have graduated from their degree program within the past FIVE years. Applicants graduating longer than five years from date of application must provide evidence of current laboratory experience.
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Medical Laboratory Technician/Medical Lab Technician	ROUTE 1: An associate degree or at least 60 semester hours (90 quarter hours) of academic credit from a college/university accredited by a recognized regional or national accreditation agency AND successful completion of a NAACLS accredited MLT program within the last 5 years; OR ROUTE 2: An associate degree or at least 60 semester hours (90 quarter hours) of academic credit from a regionally accredited college/university, including 6 semester hours (9 quarter hours) of chemistry and 6 semester hours (9 quarter hours) of biology AND CLA(ASCP)* certification; OR ROUTE 3: An associate degree or at least 60 semester hours (90 quarter hours) of academic credit from a regionally accredited college/university, including 6 semester hours (9 quarter hours) of chemistry and 6 semester hours (9 quarter hours) of biology AND successful completion of a 50 week U.S. military medical laboratory training course** ; OR ROUTE 4: An associate degree or at least 60 semester hours (90 quarter hours) of academic credit from a regionally accredited college/university, including 6 semester hours (9 quarter hours) of chemistry and 6 semester hours (9 quarter hours) of biology AND three years full time acceptable clinical laboratory experience in Blood Banking, Chemistry, Hematology, Microbiology, Immunology, and Clinical Microscopy in the U.S., Canada or an accredited laboratory*** within the last ten	Applicant shall be a graduate of, or scheduled to graduate from: A. COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY PROGRAM 1. Applicant shall be the holder of an associate degree in medical technology (or equivalent) from an accredited two year college, or 2. Applicant shall have completed at least two years (60 semester hours) of courses in any accredited college, including at least 25 semester hours in those disciplines that comprise medical technology and may include any chemical or biological science courses, as well as mathematics and/or courses in computer science, not to exceed 6 semester hours, plus six months of laboratory experience; or B. PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL 1. Applicant shall be a graduate of a medical laboratory school or program accredited by an organization approved by the US Department of Education, and must show evidence of having obtained an appropriate degree or certificate of completion; or 2. Applicant shall be a graduate of a medical laboratory school or program in an institution accredited by a Regional Accrediting Commission or by a national accrediting organization approved by the US Department of Education, and must show evidence of having obtained an appropriate degree. With respect to eligibility routes 2A and 2B, educational programs acceptable toward meeting MLT certification requirements must include laboratory experience as part of the curricula. Applicants graduating from academic programs that do not include an experiential component must obtain and document evidence of current laboratory experience prior to
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Medical Laboratory Technician/Medical Lab Technician continued	years. <i>*CLA(ASCP) certification was discontinued in 1982. Only applicants previously certified CLA(ASCP) may apply under Route 2</i> <i>**Official or notarized documentation of your military code (NEC, MOS or AFSC code or ER.B), certificate verifying completion of training or letter from Program Director documenting program completion date or notarized copy of your DD214 form must be submitted with your application form. For detailed information visit this page.</i>	being eligible for certification. Applicants seeking certification under eligibility routes 2A and 2B must have graduated from their degree program within the past FIVE years. Applicants graduating longer than five years from date of application must provide evidence of current laboratory experience. C. MILITARY TRAINING Applicant has completed a 50-week US military laboratory procedures training program provided that the training credits were earned in, or have been accepted for transfer by, an accredited college or university leading to the award of an appropriate degree.
Medical Laboratory Assistant	Certification for this category not available through ASCP	Applicant shall have: A. Graduated from, or scheduled to graduate from, an academic course (or combined courses) of study that is a minimum of 200 didactic clock hours in duration AND a minimum of 120 clock hours of documented, satisfactory clinical laboratory experience. Of the 200 didactic clock hours, a minimum of 100 hours must have been devoted to the study of fundamental laboratory technology. B. Satisfactorily completed a minimum of 1,040 hours of documented work experience within the past three years in which laboratory technology was the primary focus. While all experiential hours must have been gained in a health care setting, a minimum of 520 hours must have been devoted specifically to the performance of clinical laboratory duties.
Phlebotomy Technician/Phlebotomist	ROUTE 1: High school graduation (or equivalent) AND	Applicant shall be a graduate of, or scheduled to graduate from: *

Phlebotomy Technician/Phlebotomist	completion of a NAACLS approved phlebotomy program or a phlebotomy program approved by the California Department of Public Health* within the last five years; OR ROUTE 2: High school graduation (or equivalent) AND completion of an acceptable two-part formal structured phlebotomy program in the U.S., Canada or an accredited laboratory within the last five years. This two-part program, to be arranged by the program director, must consist of: 40 clock hours of classroom training, including anatomy and physiology of the circulatory system, specimen collection, specimen processing and handling, and laboratory operations (e.g. safety, quality control, etc.) AND 100 clock hours of clinical training and orientation in an accredited laboratory** with a minimum performance of 100 successful unaided blood collections including venipunctures and skin punctures; OR ROUTE 3: High school graduation (or equivalent) AND completion of one year full time acceptable work experience as a phlebotomy technician in an accredited laboratory** within the last five years. This experience must include venipunctures and skin punctures. (Full time experience is considered thirty-five hours per week); OR ROUTE 4: High school graduation (or equivalent) AND successful completion of RN, LPN or other acceptable accredited allied health professional/occupational education	A. Graduated from a phlebotomy program accredited by an organization approved by the US Department of Education. B. Graduated from an acceptable program in an institution accredited by a Regional Accrediting Commission or by a national accrediting organization approved by the US Department of Education. C. Successfully completed an acceptable phlebotomy training program which includes at least 120 hours of didactic instruction and 120 hours of clinical practicum.* D. Completed at least 1,040 hours of acceptable work experience as a phlebotomy technician within the past three (3) years; this to include venipunctures, skin punctures, specimen processing, communication skills, and clerical duties. <i>*All applicants applying under Requirements 2. A, B, C, D, must have completed a minimum of 50 successful venipunctures and 25 successful skin punctures. (AMT will verify with the facilities listed in Part III of this application.)</i>
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	which includes phlebotomy training and orientation in an accredited laboratory** with a minimum performance of 100 successful unaided blood collections including venipunctures and skin punctures. Applicants must submit a notarized copy of their current state/provincial license for RN or LPN or notarized copy of a certificate of completion from the accredited allied health program they completed along with the application form; OR ROUTE 5: MT/MLS(ASCP) or MLT(ASCP) certification; OR ROUTE 6: DPT (ASCP) certification AND a minimum performance of 100 successful unaided non-donor blood collections including venipunctures and skin punctures in an accredited laboratory** within the last 5 years.	
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*NAACLS- National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences- accrediting body for laboratory science educational programs

ASCP- <http://www.ascp.org/Board-of-Certification/GetCertified>

As the oldest and largest certification agency for laboratory professionals, the BOC has certified more than 450,000 individuals since it was established and has become the gold standard for certification of clinical laboratory personnel.

Since 1928, ASCP Board of Certification (BOC) (formerly the ASCP Board of Registry) has been widely recognized as the preeminent leader in the certification of medical laboratory professionals. Today, BOC offers a formal certification process that requires education, clinical training and experience, and successful completion of the certification examination for Technicians, Technologists, Specialists, and Diplomates in Laboratory Management.

AMT <http://www.americanmedtech.org/Certification/MedicalTechnologist.aspx>

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