CLIA—What's on the Horizon for 2007 & the Future?





• Topics for Discussion:

- Current Statistics
- Cytology PT NPRM
- Electronic Health Records (EHR) & CLIA
- GAO '06 CLIA Report Follow up
- Oversight of genetic testing (GT)
- CLSI EP-22 & 23: Risk Management for Manufacturers & Alternative QC for Laboratories
- Potpourri





Total Number of Laboratories: 200,667!!

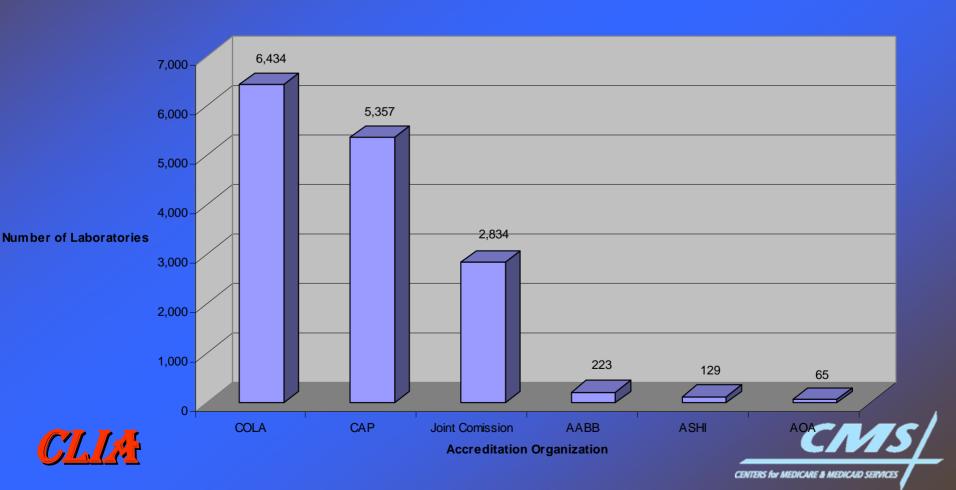
- Compliance: 19, 827
- Waived: 119,839
- Provider Performed Microscopy: 38,903
- <u>Accredited</u>: 16,098
- Exempt: 6000
 - *NY*: 2,944
 - WA: 3,056





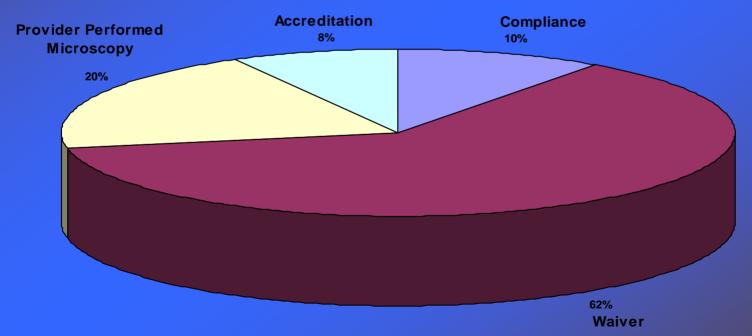


Number of CLIA Certificate of Accreditation Laboratories by Accreditation Organization



CLIA Labs by Certificate Type

(Non-Exempt Only)

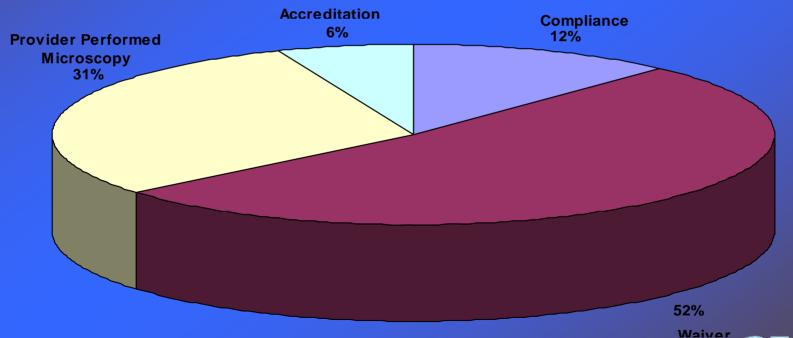






Physician Office Laboratories by CLIA Certificate Type

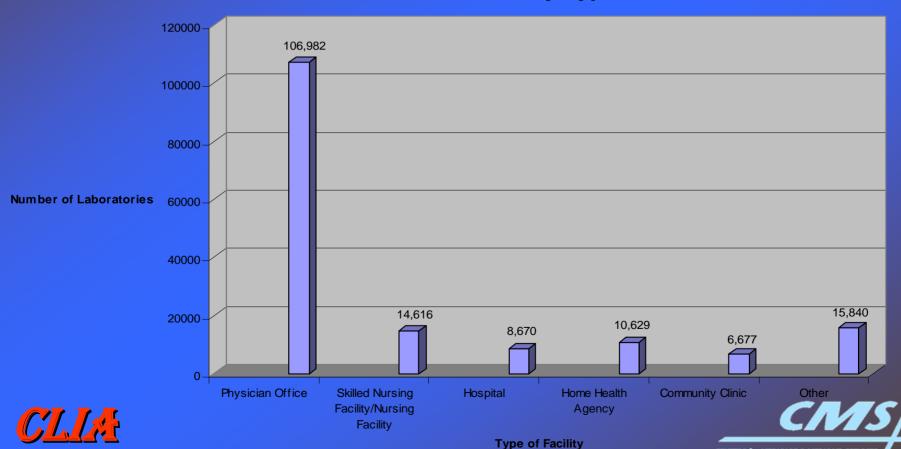
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Total CLIA Laboratories Registered Self-Selected Laboratory Types



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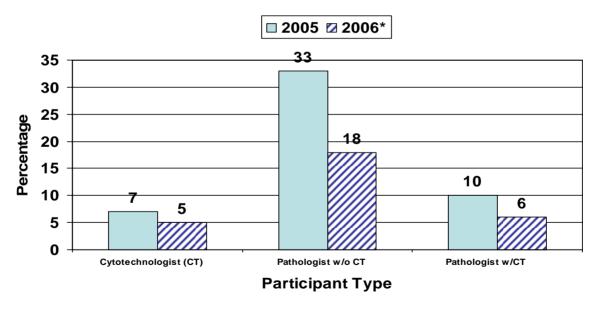


- Cytology PT NPRM (Notice of Proposed Rulemaking)
 - Revisions demanded by cytology community, supported by CLIAC;
 - CMS offered numerous opportunities to assist with compliance, listen, educate & communicate;
 - CMS/CDC convened special CLIAC WG & mtg.;
 - CMS collaborated w/ CDC to develop NPRM.
 - Cytopath. representatives propose legislation that only requires cont. edu. to derail CLIA statutory provisions for "individual" PT.
 - Pathologists w/o a cytotech continue to fail > others.





Failure Rates First Proficiency Test



* Preliminary 2006 data (January 1- December 5, 2006)







• Electronic Health Records (EHR)

- Major initiative of the Secretary of DHHS;
 - Laboratories are the prototype.
- CLIA requires accurate, reliable, timely & confidential transmission of patient test results to the "user" or authorized person;
 - Also requires certain elements be included in the report.
- CMS working w/ attnys. to retain the integrity of CLIA
 & incur minimal burden for vendors & labs via
 administrative solutions, where possible.





GAO '06 CLIA Report Follow up

- CMS recognized consistency problem; confirmed by '06 GAO report;
- Conducted comprehensive surveyor training '06;
- Scheduling add'l. focused, interactive training Oct. '07;
- Reviewing survey & enforcement data; upgrading data system;
- Strongly encouraging compliance for labs w/ repeat deficiencies/enforcement actions;
- Providing detailed policies & procedures, regular conferences for regions & State surveyors;
- Publishing updated SOM/Guidelines;





GAO '06 CLIA Report Follow up -- Cont'd.

- Providing more opportunities for complaints to be filed;
- Working w/ AOs to identify & monitor frequent, serious deficiencies, complaints, inconsistent policies;
- Developing performance measures for AOs, including survey timeliness;
- Requiring minimum 2 week notice for surveys;
- Improving effectiveness & timeliness of AO reapproval process;
- Recruiting & hiring technical staff;
- Monitoring State surveyor performance more closely.





Oversight of Genetic Testing (GT):

- HHS rec'd. recommendations to augment CLIA from advisory committees;
- In lieu of prescriptive regulations, increase surveyor awareness & training; develop creative survey solutions;
- New regulations won't solve paucity of PT/QC or provide clinical validity reviews;
- Conduct lab education, collect data; and
- Collaborate w/ GT community, gov't. agencies & experts to facilitate design of PT & QC options & assist w/ quality guidance.







- CLSI Evaluation Protocols (EP)—22&23
 - Guidance for mfgr's. about risk management information for labs;
 - Guidance for alternative QC protocols for labs;
 - Based on the lab's unique circumstances:
 - Patient population,
 - Personnel competency,
 - Test systems utilized, and
 - Environmental issues.
 - Development underway via CLSI consensus process w/ recognized experts from industry, gov't. & labs.
 - When finalized, will complement or replace EQC.





Potpourri of Ongoing Projects

- Partners in Laboratory Oversight
 - Collaborative efforts w/ AOs & exempt States
- Certificate of Waiver educational visits
 - ❖ Intervention demonstrates 70% of waived labs improve
- Brochure development
 - Several new ones under development; any suggestions?
- Web site enhancements
 - Lab certification info to be added
- GPRA goals
 - Routine & cytology PT data reflect improved performance over time





Where to Find CLIA Info:

- CMS CLIA Web site:
 - www.cms.hhs.gov/clia
- CMS Central office in Baltimore:
 - 410-786-3531
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THANK YOU!!!

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Questions???





