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These standards are essential to Ensure:

- 1. Centers have a written structured training program with recognized leadershipstructure
- 2. Trainers are adequately trained and prepared for independentpractice
- 3. Residents are adequately trained to practice safe modernpathology/cytopathology
- 4. The work area is adequate, safe and proper for resident practice andwellbeing
- 5. Centers have adequate modern educational resources for training and residentuse
- 6. Centers emphasize both quality, quantity and variety of diagnostic material in tainting
- 7. Residents are actively engaged with clinical departments/clinicians regarding their cases
- 8. Residents progress is under continuous monitoring with remedies and solutions to poorprogress
- 9. Residents are trained and evaluated under a competency-based trainingprogram
- 10. Residents are able to assess their trainers/supervisors and the trainingprogram
- 11. Written procedures to review, improve, modify and upgrade training arepresent

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| No | EVALUATION ITEM | YES | NO | NA |
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| Α | PROGRAM ORGANIZATION: | | | |
| 1 | There is an administrative organizational structure within the training center | | | |
| | and the specialty training program, with leadership and personnel to support | | | |
| 2 | the residency program | | | |
| 2 | A residency program committee exists to support the program and program director | | | |
| 3 | The residency program committee manages and evaluates key functions of the residency program | | | |
| 4 | The residency program committee meetings are sufficient to fulfil its mandate | | | |
| 5 | The residency program is overseen by the program director and the residency | | | |
| | program committee | | | |
| В | EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM: | F | | |
| 6 | Education/Training Program intends to prepare residents for independent practice | | | |
| 7 | Education/Training Program is time-based and is organized around educational objective | | | |
| 8 | Education/Training Program is competency-based and is organized around competencies required for practice and as outlined in the curriculum | | | |
| 9 | Educational outcomes/objectives/competencies are clearly defined for each stage/year of training | | | |
| 10 | Residents perform gross & microscopic evaluations and clinicopathological | | | |
| | correlations under the direct supervision of a laboratory physician | | | |
| 11 | Resident participate in consultations, including intraoperative pathology/cytology | | | |
| 12 | Resident have a grossing manual for their use in the grossing room | | | |
| 13 | Residents receive direct instruction by qualified pathologists during: | | | |
| | • Grossing and tissue selection (including frozen section) | | | |
| | • Fine needle aspiration procedure | | | |
| | Forensic/medicolegal autopsy | | | |
| | Hospital medical autopsy | | | |
| 14 | Residents are provided with opportunities to learn the principles, | | | |
| | applications and interpretations of: | | | |
| | Tissue histochemistry | | | |
| | • Immunohistochemistry | | | |
| | • Immunofluorescence | | | |
| | In situ hybridization | | | |
| | Molecular pathology | | | |
| | Cytogenetics | | | |
| | • Flow cytometry | | | |
| | Electron microscopy | | | |

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| 15 | Residents receive instruction in the principles of the administration and | | | |
| 16 | management of an anatomical pathology service | | | |
| 16 | Residents are trained in the basic and clinical sciences, and advanced scientific knowledge related to pathology | | | |
| 17 | Residents are trained on Evidence-Based Medical Science and its principles | | | |
| 18 | Residents are involved in, trained, exposed to basic and clinical research | | | |
| 19 | Residents receive teaching in structured/synoptic reporting of cancer cases | | | |
| 20 | Residents receive teaching in laboratory management (quality assurance, laboratory safety, workload management) | | | |
| 21 | There is an established system for resident performance assessment: | | | |
| | Competency-based evaluation (CBE) | | | |
| | • Direct observation of practical skills (DABS) | | | |
| | • In-training/service assessment (e.g RISE, RITE, (Other, <i>Specify</i>): | | | |
| | • End-of year/rotation assessment | | | |
| | End-of-training certification examination | | | |
| | • Work-based assessment (WBA) | | | |
| | Black Box Slide Session/Unknown slide Session | | | |
| | MOCK Exam | | | |
| | Logbook, Portfolio | | | |
| | • Other: <i>Specify</i> : | | | |
| 22 | There is an established process for decision-making regarding resident | | | |
| | progression and satisfactory completion of training | | | |
| 23 | Residents with unsatisfactory progress are given support and opportunity to | | | |
| С | improve their performance RESOURCES: | | | |
| 24 | The department of laboratory medicine/pathology is administered by a | | | |
| | certified physician in laboratory medicine/pathology | | | |
| 25 | The diversity and volume of specimens are sufficient to support resident training: | | | |
| | Large surgical specimens | | | |
| | • GI pathology | | | |
| | Medical liver biopsies | | | |
| | Nephropathology | | | |
| | • GU pathology | | | |
| | Gynecologic pathology | | | |
| | CNS pathology | | | |
| | Bone & Soft tissue | | | |
| | Breast Pathology | | | |
| | Exfoliative Cytology (Gyn/Non-Gyn) | | | |
| | Aspiration Cytology | | | |
| 26 | Residency program has adequate volume and range of Exfoliative cytology & | | | |
| 27 | Aspiration cytology to provide adequate training Residency program has an active external pathology consultation service | | | |
| 27 28 | Residency program has access to appropriate facilities for the preparation and | | | |
| 20 | interpretation of frozen sections | | | |
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| 29 | Residents have an adequate training and working environment including: | | | |
| | Safety conditions | | | |
| | Adequate office space | | | |
| | Individual light microscope of adequate quality | | | |
| | • Personal computer, Personal digital assistant (PDA) | | | |
| | Access to dictation, reporting, and transcription services | | | |
| | Access to Updated Surgical pathology/Cytopathology references | | | |
| | • Access to computer-based literature review services? | | | |
| | Access to internet service | | | |
| | • Access to and are training on digital photography | | | |
| | Access to and are training on virtual microscopy | | | |
| | Access to a multiheaded microscope | | | |
| | Access to conference rooms with adequate facilities for image projection | | | |
| | Access to Radiology, Medical Record, Laboratory data etc. to facilitate the diagnostic process | | | |
| | Access to treating physician contact information to facilitate case discussion/evaluation | | | |
| 30 | Residents are able to participate in: clinicopathological conferences, Medical grand rounds Morbidity and Mortality rounds | | | |
| 31 | There is a sufficient number of pathologists, pathology assistants, technologists etc. to ensure a balance of service to education | | | |
| 32 | The total resident teaching time/week accounts for at least 20 % of total | | | |
| 52 | working hours: | | | |
| | Sign-out session teaching | | | |
| | Journal club | | | |
| | CPC Meetings | | | |
| | Case presentation | | | |
| | CMEs/Seminars | | | |
| | Audit meetings | | | |
| 33 | Progression of residents through the residency program is supported, fair, and transparent | | | |
| 34 | The residency program has policies to address residents who are not | | | |
| | progressing as expected | | | |
| 35 | Administrative personnel are valued and supported in the delivery and | | | |
| | coordination of the residency program | | | |
| 36 | There is an established system for evaluating the faculty/staff by the residents | | | |
| D 37 | CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT There is an establish process to guarantee continuous improvement of the training | | | |
| 57 | experience of residents | | | |