

## \* Terms & definitions

### ① Accreditation

procedure by which authoritative body gives formal recognition that organization is competent to carry out specific tasks.

### ② Critical interval / Alert interval

Interval of examination results for critical test that indicates an immediate risk to the patient of injury or death.

- Laboratory determines appropriate list of alert test for patients & users

### ③ Competence

- Demonstrated ability to apply knowledge & skills.

### ④ Documented procedure

Specified way to carry out activity or process that is documented, implemented & maintained.

- may be addressed in single document or by more than one document.

⑤ Laboratory director

person with responsibility for & authority over a laboratory.

⑥ Laboratory management

person who direct & manage the activities of a laboratory.

⑦ Non conformance

- non fulfillment of a requirement.

⑧ point of care testing (POCT)

Testing performed near or at the site of a patient, with the result leading to possible change in the care of patient.

9 postanalytical phase

process following examination including  
review of results,  
Retention & storage of clinical material,  
Sample (and waste) disposal,  
formatting  
Releasing  
Reposting &  
Retention of examination results.

10 Preanalytical phase

- process starts in chronological order from clinician's request & include examination requests  
preparation & identification of patient,  
collection of primary sample,  
transportation to & within laboratory,  
end when analytical examination begins.

11 Turnaround time

- Elapsed time between two specified points through pre-examination, examination & post-examination processes.