

Toxicology Proficiency Testing Programs 2022 Schedule

The alcohol in blood and lead in blood proficiency testing programs have been approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988. Samples should arrive by the “Expected Sample Receipt Date” listed. If samples are not received by that date or are received in a condition that is unacceptable for testing, requests for replacement samples **must** be made by the “Deadline for Replacement Sample Requests.” Requests made after this deadline cannot be accepted. **Please note the changes made to the PT program event cycle start dates for 2022!**

Drugs of abuse in urine				
Event	Sample Ship Date	Expected Sample Receipt Date	Deadline for Replacement Sample Requests	Results Due Date
Event 1	January 26	February 2	February 7	March 1
Event 2	May 25	June 1	June 6	June 28
Event 3	September 28	October 5	October 12	November 2
Program coordinator: Jennifer Okraska				Email: jokraska@pa.gov

Drugs of abuse in blood and/or serum				
Event	Sample Ship Date	Expected Sample Receipt Date	Deadline for Replacement Sample Requests	Results Due Date
Event 1	February 9	February 16	February 23	March 15
Event 2	June 8	June 15	June 20	July 12
Event 3	October 12	October 19	October 24	November 16
Program coordinator: Jennifer Okraska				Email: jokraska@pa.gov

Alcohol in blood (CMS-approved) and/or serum				
Event	Sample Ship Date	Expected Sample Receipt Date	Deadline for Replacement Sample Requests	Results Due Date
Event 1	February 23	March 2	March 7	March 29
Event 2	June 22	June 29	July 6	July 26
Event 3	October 26	November 2	November 7	November 30
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Erythrocyte/Zinc protoporphyrin				
Event	Sample Ship Date	Expected Sample Receipt Date	Deadline for Replacement Sample Requests	Results Due Date
Event 1	March 23	March 30	April 4	April 26
Event 2	July 20	July 27	August 1	August 23
Event 3	November 9	November 16	November 21	December 13
Program coordinator: David Fardig				Email: dfardig@pa.gov

Lead in blood (CMS-approved)				
Event	Sample Ship Date	Expected Sample Receipt Date	Deadline for Replacement Sample Requests	Results Due Date
Event 1	March 23	March 30	April 4	April 26
Event 2	July 20	July 27	August 1	August 23
Event 3	November 9	November 16	November 21	December 13
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E-mail results to: RA-DHPTPROGRAMS@pa.gov. Include your PA Lab ID, PT Program Name & Event in the subject line