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LABORATORY SERVICES CHAPTER
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Chapter outlines the laboratory resources needed to support animal food quality and safety, including:

- (1) the capability and capacity to perform relevant methods;
- (2) sufficient quality management and technical systems to achieve and maintain ISO/IEC 17025:2005 accreditation (or meet AFRPS requirements); and
- (3) resources for data assessment and handling.
CHECKLIST APPROACH

• A “checklist approach to determine the laboratory resources needed to support implementation of the PCAF regulation and

• Assess the gap between current laboratory resources and additional resources needed to support the implementation
LABORATORY RESOURCES

The resources are grouped by:
• facility needs,
• personnel and training,
• equipment requirements,
• quality system requirements,
• data capture and storage, and
• requirements for acceptance of data shared among agencies.
GOAL OF CHAPTER/SUMMARY

• Overall goal is to ensure resources necessary for reliable, defensible, fit-for-use test results acceptable to all stakeholders.

• Important that there are laboratory resources available at the state level to support and maintain the economic viability of the local agricultural food producing industry.