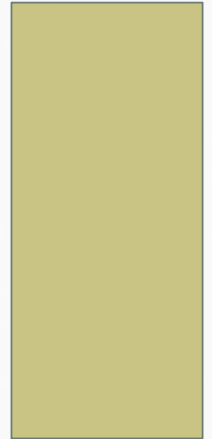


NASDA-AAFCO PCAF FRAMEWORK

LABORATORY SERVICES CHAPTER



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WRITING APPROACH FOR LAB CHAPTER

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.