



**NAACLS**

National Accrediting Agency  
for Clinical Laboratory Sciences

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**Annual  
Report**

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# The NAACLS Mission Statement

*The National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS) is committed to being the premier agency for international accreditation and approval of educational programs in the clinical laboratory sciences and related healthcare disciplines. NAACLS provides leadership in fostering innovative educational approaches and actively supports cooperative efforts with other agencies.*

*NAACLS, in collaboration with its professional organizations, provides comprehensive services including program accreditation, program approval, and continuing education. NAACLS provides these services for educational programs, students, employers and healthcare consumers.*

*NAACLS is dedicated to peer review as the foundation of accreditation and approval. Volunteers are highly valued and the agency strives to prepare and assist them to provide exemplary program analysis. Such analysis is based upon principles of honesty, fairness, objectivity and integrity.*

*NAACLS demonstrates commitment to public service by assuring the quality of educational programs. NAACLS will continue to be responsive to the needs of the healthcare community as it strives toward recognition as the premier international accrediting organization in health professions education. (<http://www.naacls.org/about-us/mission.asp>)*

*Adopted September 1996, Revised September 2001.*

# The NAACLS Vision Statement

*“Medical laboratories will preferentially seek graduates of NAACLS accredited and approved programs to assure quality, value and innovation for healthcare consumers.”*

*Adopted September 2009.*

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# A Message From the President . . .

In 2009 NAACLS diligently continued its mission to accredit and approve programs in the clinical laboratory sciences. The dedicated staff and volunteers accomplish our mission through paper reviews, site visits and by developing new ways to enhance the accreditation and approval processes. Leadership was provided by Terry Taff for the Review Committee for Accredited Programs (RCAP); Wendy Miller for the Programs Approval Review Committee (PARC), and Randy Lambrecht for the Doctoral Review Committee (DRC). These volunteer leaders have shared their expertise and time to maintain peer-reviewed program accreditation and approval excellence.

## **NAACLS Advocacy for Programs, Directors and Educators**

### **Consortia Policy Revisions**

A new policy for consortia provides flexibility to developing programs. Only one self-Study Report needs to be submitted for the joint venture sponsors of a program structured as a consortium. Changes to the consortia policy include a change to Standard 21 to include an Education Coordinator at each participating entity within the consortia and changes to the procedures for accreditation. The new Guide to Accreditation defines the procedural changes for consortia and can be accessed on the NAACLS website.

### **Innovative Clinical Education Models**

A task force chaired by Martha Lake is collecting information on innovative clinical education models. The charge to this task force is to: 1) explore new, innovative and cost effective clinical education delivery models that maintain education quality and meet NAACLS standards; 2) compile and summarize "shared" or "core" curricular models with tracks for different healthcare professionals; 3) explore the feasibility of new clinical laboratory professionals with blended health profession skill sets; 4) make recommendations to the NAACLS BOD regarding the desirability and feasibility of offering joint NAACLS and CAAHEP site visits for the purpose of fostering efficiency and economy.

### **Program Revitalization Strategies for Survival**

Donna Spannos-Martin chaired the task force to review and revise the Program Revitalization: Strategies for Survival text. This text of strategies and case studies provides checklists, recruitment planning and innovative program resources to provide guidance to programs to maintain their vitality. This document is available on the NAACLS website.

### **Electronic Self-Study Report**

James Vossler developed a format for an electronic Self-Study Report submission, and Martha Lake test piloted its first implementation. This pilot will be reviewed and tweaked to plan for the conversion to electronic submissions. The template is available for use in a PDF format on the NAACLS website.

### **Frequency of Citations**

Program directors may access the frequency of the most common citations to assist in their program reviews and preparation for accreditation and/or approval. The citations and the rationales can provide insight for program directors in their efforts to comply with NAACLS standards.

### **Annual Survey**

This was the inaugural year for the collaborative effort of the Board of Certification, the AMA and NAACLS for the merged annual survey of programs. Three surveys were condensed into one. Findings from the 2009 survey can be accessed in the CEO's Corner of the NAACLS News Fall 2009 edition on the NAACLS website.

### **Globalization Task Force**

Jeanne Isabel is the chair of the NAACLS Globalization Task Force. The charge is to review the current program accreditation Standards and procedures and modify them, as required, to apply to international programs.

### **Standards Review Task Force**

Karen McClure is the chair of the NAACLS Standards review task force. Their charge is to review and revise the current Standards with an outcomes focus, to decrease emphasis on inputs for Self-Study Reviews and foster innovation in clinical laboratory science education programs.

### **Summary**

The NAACLS staff and volunteers consistently strive to raise the bar for excellence in clinical laboratory science education. Their efforts improve patient safety and add value to laboratory testing. NAACLS vision "Medical laboratories will preferentially seek graduates of NAALCS accredited and approved programs to assure quality, value, and innovation for healthcare consumers" is our future in the making due to our quality-oriented staff and volunteers.

Sincerely,



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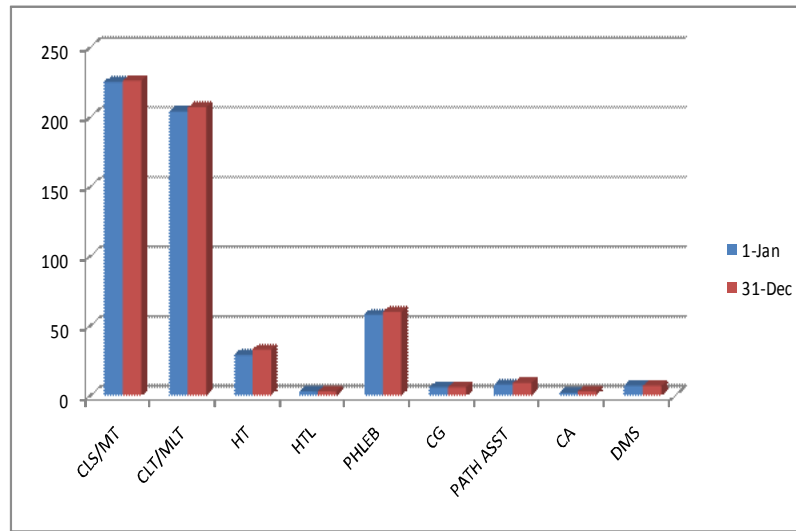
# NAACLS Programs By State

STATE	CLS/ MT	CLT/ MLT	HT	HTL	PHLEB	CG	PATH ASST	CA	DMS	TOTAL
AL	5	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
AK	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
AZ	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
AR	3	5	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	10
CA	9	3	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	15
CO	3	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	5
CT	3	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	6
DE	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
FL	7	7	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	17
GA	3	12	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	19
HI	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	3
ID	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
IL	9	8	1	-	3	-	1	-	-	22
IN	7	3	1	-	2	-	1	-	-	14
IA	4	3	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	8
KS	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5
KY	5	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
LA	8	5	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	18
ME	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
MD	4	1	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	8
MA	4	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	8
MI	11	6	1	1	4	1	1	1	2	29
MN	3	9	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	16
MS	4	7	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	12
MO	7	3	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	11
MT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NE	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
NV	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	3
NH	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
NJ	5	3	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	9
NM	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
NY	11	7	1	-	4	-	-	-	1	23
NC	6	13	2	-	11	-	1	-	-	33
ND	2	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	5
OH	9	14	2	-	7	-	1	-	-	33
OK	3	4	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	8
OR	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3

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Data as of 12/31/09.

# NAACLS Programs by Type

1/1/09 vs 12/31/09



## NAACLS Programs by State (Cont'd)

STATE	CLS/ MT	CLT/ MLT	HT	HTL	PHLEB	CG	PATH ASST	CA	DMS	TOTAL
PA	13	7	2	--	3	--	1	--	--	26
RI	2	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	4
SC	3	7	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	11
SD	2	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5
TN	6	5	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	12
TX	16	21	5	--	2	2	--	--	3	49
UT	3	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5
VT	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1
VA	7	4	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	11
WA	3	4	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	8
WV	3	4	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	8
WI	9	7	1	--	3	--	--	--	--	20
WY	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1
Wash DC	4	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	5
PR	4	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	4
Doha Qatar	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>551</b>

# Board of Directors' Actions 2009

## Accredited Programs

Program Level	Initial	Continuing	Probation	Transfers of Sponsorship	Withdrawn
CLS/MT	4	21	–	1	4
CLT/MLT	9	25	1	–	6
HT	2	3	–	–	–
HTL	–	–	–	–	–
Path Asst	1	1	–	–	–
CG	–	–	–	–	–
DMS	–	2	–	–	–
Totals	16	52	1	1	10

## Approved Programs

Program Level	Initial	Continuing	Probation	Transfers of Sponsorship	Withdrawn
Phlebotomy	2	18	–	–	–
CA	–	–	–	–	–
Totals	2	18	–	–	–

# 2009 Volunteers

***NAACLS is grateful to the volunteers who served as paper reviewers and/or site visitors for programs that were evaluated by the NAACLS Board of Directors in April and September 2009.***

***These volunteers donated their time and expertise, enabling the programmatic accreditation process to exist.***

***Their service is truly appreciated!***

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# Statements of Financial Position

June 30, 2009 and 2008

	ASSETS	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
ASSETS:			
Cash and cash equivalents		\$ 202,574	\$ 129,497
Accounts receivable		19,604	9,334
Less - allowance for doubtful accounts		(1,800)	(1,800)
Accrued interest receivable		844	4,111
Investments - at fair value		1,050,272	1,284,808
Prepaid insurance, expenses and deposits		34,048	33,147
Security deposit on lease		13,591	20,721
Property and equipment		50,676	17,339
TOTAL ASSETS:		\$1,369,809	\$1,497,157
	LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
LIABILITIES:			
Accounts payable		\$ 19,745	\$ 16,288
Accrued payroll		54,623	39,304
Accrued rent		23,098	7,091
Accrued and withheld payroll taxes		940	852
Withheld pension contributions		1,964	1,992
Accrued pension contribution		15,621	12,588
Deferred revenue		123,000	4,025
TOTAL LIABILITIES:		\$ 238,991	\$ 82,140
NET ASSETS:			
Unrestricted		\$ 1,130,818	\$ 1,390,317
Temporarily restricted		-	24,700
Permanently restricted		--	--
TOTAL NET ASSETS:		\$1,130,818	\$ 1,415,017
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS:		\$1,369,809	\$ 1,497,157

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