

2026 ASCP GYN PT™ PROCTOR QUIZ

Attestation Statement: I certify that I answered all questions on the Proctor test independently.

Signature of Proctor: _____

Date: _____

Proctor Name:	Scheduled Test Date:	
Proctor Phone:	Proctor Email:	
Lab/Facility Name:		
Lab Director Name:	Lab Phone:	
Lab Address:		
Lab Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:

CIRCLE THE MOST APPROPRIATE ANSWER**QUESTION 1**

- 1. Test Materials must be stored in a locked and secure location**
 - a. After all testing has been completed
 - b. Does not need to be stored in a locked and secure location
 - c. Only prior to the start of the Proficiency testing event
 - d. Before, between and after each segment of the Proficiency testing event - if split into multiple days or time periods

QUESTION 2

- 2. Proctors can be testing individuals in the same GYN test event they are proctoring.**
 - a. True.
 - b. False

QUESTION 3

- 3. It is the Proctor's responsibility to verify the following:**
 - a. That there is no overlap in START/STOP times amongst testers
 - b. That the test box number is correct and the answer sheet is signed and dated by the tester
 - c. Both Tester and Proctor signed and dated the Participant Result Form on the same day.
 - d. All of the above

QUESTION 4

- 4. In accordance with the Federal CLIA requirements, all Test Challenge boxes must have how many Test Challenges from each "diagnostic response category" of A, B, C or D?**
 - a. At least one
 - b. At least two
 - c. Only one
 - d. No requirement exists

QUESTION 5

- 5. Who of the following are required to participate in the GYN Proficiency Testing event?**
 - a. All practicing individuals (physicians and cytotechnologists) who examine or interpret gynecologic cytology specimens (Pap smears)
 - b. Newly certified Anatomic Pathologists within that calendar year
 - c. Newly board-certified CytoPathologists within that calendar year
 - d. Newly graduated cytotechnology students who have completed and passed the boards within that calendar year

QUESTION 6

6. If the Testing Participant is approaching the 2-hour testing limit, the Proctor should:

- a. Allow them to complete the testing event, indicate actual time spent on test and provide explanation of extended time
- b. Recommend adjusting the start and stop time to reflect 2 hours of testing time
- c. Wait to see if they need more time and then allow an additional 8 minutes per Test Challenge remaining in their box.
- d. Warn them how many minutes are remaining for their testing event and stop the event at 2 hours whether or not the Tester is done

QUESTION 7

7. Upon receipt of the testing material, the Primary Proctor is responsible for:

- a. Inspecting the glass slides in each test box
- b. Notifying ASCP if any slides are broken
- c. Locking the material in a secure location until testing takes place
- d. All of the above.

QUESTION 8

8. When monitoring the GYN PT Testing Environment, which of the following scenarios is acceptable:

- a. Allowing Testers to review the slides together if they have already completed their testing event
- b. Allowing Testers to talk with other testers or be on the phone while taking the GYN Proficiency Test
- c. Allowing Testers to step away to assist on frozen section or FNA if time away is documented
- d. All the above

QUESTION 9

9. Laboratory Directors may review all glass slide testing materials after the tests are complete and before the test materials are returned to ASCP if no responses are changed:

- a. True - Compliant activity and no CMS review required
- b. False - Non-complaint activity and CMS review required

QUESTION 10

10. If a Testing Participant has made an error on the Proficiency Testing Result Form, the Proctor should instruct the Testing Participant to:

- a. Ignore the error and proceed with marking the correct Response Category (A, B, C, D)
- b. Make an X through the incorrect response(s) and initial next to the X
- c. Call ASCP for a new Proficiency Testing Result Form
- d. Use white-out to cover erroneous Response Category (A, B, C, D)

QUESTION 11

11. Even though the Proctor is not testing, the Proctor may screen and dot the test challenges for secondary-screening Physicians prior to the start of the testing event.

- a. True
- b. False

QUESTION 12

- 12. As a GYN PT Provider, ASCP reserves the right to conduct unannounced visits to any testing facility and monitor/proctor the GYN proficiency testing process:**
- True
 - False

QUESTION 13

- 13. What documents are to be distributed to each Testing Participant?**
- Proficiency Testing Result Form only
 - Proficiency Testing Result Form and Proficiency Testing Instructions only
 - Proficiency Testing Result Form, Proficiency Testing Instructions, Proficiency Testing Scoring Sheet & Guide, Supplemental Important Test Details and PT Process Evaluation Form
 - Proficiency Testing Result Form, Proficiency Testing Instructions, and PT Process Evaluation Form

QUESTION 14

- 14. Proctors are responsible to ensure times recorded on the Participant Testing Result Forms do not reflect any overlap in testing times (start and/or finish) between any testing participants, an answer was provided on each case, and that all forms are signed and the same date is indicated by both the Tester and the Proctor.**
- True
 - False

INDICATE WHETHER OR NOT THE FOLLOWING SCENARIOS ARE COMPLIANT VERSUS NON-COMPLIANT WITH GYN PT TESTING REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS AND PROTOCOL

DEFINITIONS TO BE USED FOR PROCTOR QUIZ QUESTIONS 15 - 20:

- Compliant = Meets and/or exceeds all components of CLIA '88 relative to cytology proficiency testing, complies with CMS' PT Referral Policy and meets the ASCP Proctor requirements as outlined in the Proctor Information.*
- Non-Compliant = Fails to meet all components of CLIA '88 relative to cytology proficiency testing, does not comply with CMS' PT Referral Policy OR does not comply the ASCP Proctor requirements as outlined in the Proctor Information.*

QUESTION 15

- 15. In order for the annual GYN Proficiency test to fulfill both the regulatory requirements, as well as count towards the cytology department's monthly in-house education, all cytology personnel sat at the multi-headed microscope reviewing the test challenges together. Testing individuals were encouraged to render their own diagnostic response (category), even if it differed from the consensus of the group.**
- Compliant
 - Non-compliant

QUESTION 16

- 16. Hospital A has two other locations (Hospitals B and C) that have CLIA numbers that list cytology as a test commonly performed. Rather than purchasing a separate GYN PT Proficiency test for each location, the QA Director schedules a date for all Testers to come to Hospital A for testing.**
- Compliant
 - Non-compliant

QUESTION 17

17. Primary and secondary Screeners were enrolled for GYN PT testing at White Hospital. On the day of the testing, the Proctor started with the primary screeners, having the last primary screener dot their box of test challenges for the secondary screening Physician. A copy of the primary screener's answer sheet was provided with the glass slide test challenges to the secondary screening Physician. During the testing event the Physician noted a test challenge that was originally categorized as Negative (Category A) by the primary screener when, in fact, it contained cells consistent with HSIL (Category D). Upon completion of his testing event, the secondary screening Physician reviewed the discrepant test challenge with the primary screener prior to turning all testing materials into the Proctor for return to the GYN PT Provider. Review was documented in the QA/QC logs.

- a. Compliant
- b. Non-compliant

QUESTION 18

18. Dr. Smith typically performs secondary screening only on GYN cytology materials. This year, however, he was called in to review a STAT GYN specimen without the aid of a primary screening cytotechnologist. Since he typically performs secondary screening and this was only a one time occasion, he will still take his GYN Proficiency test this year as a secondary screener.

- a. Compliant
- b. Non-compliant

QUESTION 19

19. Medical Center on the east coast employs 48 individuals within the Cytopathology department, all of which are required to participate in annual GYN Proficiency testing. Rather than trying to find one date that works for everyone, the Medical Center purchases two different GYN PT testing events one month apart, enrolling 22 Testers in the first event and 26 Testers in the second event.

- a. Compliant
- b. Non-compliant

QUESTION 20

20. In addition to serving as a reference laboratory, Education Laboratory housed a well-known and respected Cytotechnology program. During the most recent scheduled GYN PT Proficiency test, one of the Testers noted a great example of a rare cancer on one of the GYN PT test challenges. Upon completion of his testing event, the Tester proceeded to take microphotographs of the test challenge to add to his teaching materials.

- a. Compliant
- b. Non-compliant