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Hackley Hospital's Laboratory Receives National Accreditation

Muskegon, MI - Hackley Hospital's Laboratory has received accreditation from the Commission on Laboratory Accreditation of the College of American Pathologists (CAP), based on results of a recent on-site inspection by independent evaluators and health care professionals.

Said Steve Rop, Director of Laboratory Services at Hackley Hospital, "We take our accreditation very seriously. It's great for the community to know an independent, qualified body has found us to be in excellent standing."

The CAP Laboratory Accreditation program, begun in the 1960's, is recognized by the federal government as being equal to or more stringent than the government's own inspection program. Inspectors examine the records and quality control of the laboratory for the preceding two years, as well as the education and qualifications of the total staff, the adequacy of the facilities, the equipment, laboratory safety, and management to determine how well the laboratory is serving the patient.

The College of American pathologists is a medical society serving nearly 16,000 physician members of the laboratory community worldwide. The Hackley Hospital laboratory serves more than 170,000 patients annually performing more than 780,000 tests.

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