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### **State of California Approves AMT Medical Technologist Exam**

(Rosemont, IL): American Medical Technologists (AMT) announces approval of the AMT Medical Technologist (MT) exam by the California Department of Public Health, Laboratory Field Services (LFS).

“AMT is now recognized in all states where multiple certification agencies are approved for purposes of satisfying Medical Technologist licensure qualifications,” states AMT Executive Director Christopher A. Damon, JD. Currently, 12 states – including California - have some form of personnel licensure for clinical laboratory personnel.

To gain recognition, AMT worked closely with LFS to review many aspects of the examination, including the test blueprint and competency statements upon which the examinations are based, typical pass rates, item performance indices, test-level performance indices, and other program-descriptive elements. “It was a lengthy process,” states James Fidler, PhD, AMT Director of Testing and Competency Assurance, “but well worth the effort. “

The approval includes a “look-back” to the AMT 2014 MT exams administered after January 1, 2014– this means that persons passing this examination from January 1, 2014 to present could use the AMT examination to fulfill the California examination requirements for licensure. The LFS website was recently updated to reflect this decision: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/lfs/Documents/P-LFS-Approved-CertOrg-Exam-9-18-2015.pdf> (Page 4).

AMT’s medical technology certification is already highly regarded by employers in other states. “The announcement today just adds to that validation and attests to the high quality and integrity of our exam,” added Mr. Damon. California also recognizes AMT’s phlebotomy examination for purposes of approving phlebotomists in that state.

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