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PRESS RELEASE

UBH LAB INSPECTORS PROVE EXCELLENCE IN THE DETAILS

April 27, 2018: The laboratory staff at Uintah Basin Healthcare recently participated in an inspection for the College of American Pathologists (CAP) at RCHP Health System in Sierra Vista, Arizona.

CAP is a member-based physician organization founded in 1946 comprising approximately 18,000 board-certified pathologists. It serves patients, pathologists, and the public by fostering and advocating best practices in pathology and laboratory medicine. It is the world's largest association composed exclusively of pathologists certified by the American Board of Pathology, and is widely considered the leader in laboratory quality assurance. The CAP is an advocate for high-quality and cost-effective medical care. The CAP does accreditation of laboratories under deemed authority by The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). The CAP's peer-based inspector model provides a unique balance of regulatory and educational coaching supported by the most respected worldwide pathology organization. It uses teams of participating professionals who are qualified by completing an inspector training program provided by the CAP.



On-site inspections occur every two years. These inspections utilize CAP Accreditation checklists which assess upwards of **3000 standards** that must be met in order to successfully qualify for accreditation. UBMC provides an inspection team at least once each two-year cycle to inspect other laboratories seeking CAP accreditation, most recently the VA Hospital in Grand Junction, Colorado, St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Junction, Colorado and RCHP Health System in Sierra Vista, Arizona.

According to Dr. Bruce Arnold, UBMC Laboratory Director, "I always come away from these inspections with an increased feeling of gratitude for the exceptional team of inspectors we have here in the UBMC laboratory. The entire staff here is such an impressive group of laboratory professionals who understand the significance of the work that they do and the direct impact it has on the patients that they serve. Their constant attention to these thousands of little details ensures that we provide precise, accurate and timely information to our clinicians that enable them to treat their patients appropriately. It is a true pleasure for me to associate with each of them."

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Uintah Basin Healthcare is a community not-for-profit healthcare system, serving the Uintah Basin since 1944. Today, Uintah Basin Healthcare is the largest and most comprehensive rural-based independent healthcare system in the state of Utah.