

CLC Qualifications

The Certified Laboratory Consultant is a professional laboratory expert who functions independently in providing laboratory-related guidance to health care facilities. The consultant possesses expertise as a generalist or may provide services as a specialist in one or more disciplines.

Recognizing that the consultant pool is very heterogeneous with respect to background, areas of specialization and client base, the CLC designation has been designed to allow for this diversity. Certification is granted to candidates who meet **ALL** of the requirements of the application.

1. Consulting Experience (Verification of 3 out of the last 5 years of one or a combination of the following experiences): **Please identify the type(s) of consulting experience, listed below, that you are referencing when you provide your supporting documentation.**
 - Independent consultant – Formalized business - (business recorded on some form of public record). Submit copy of current business license/permit with expiration date and copies of renewal, if applicable.
 - Independent consultant – No formalized business – Submit three (3) signed letters of endorsement from current or past clients on their letterhead, of which 1 letter verifies services provided within the past 3 years.
 - Internal Consultant – Submit an employer’s official job description indicating consulting duties (i.e., with home care patients; with the Pediatric Service for POCT; with affiliated physicians for their POLs, etc.). The official job description must either be signed by the employer (HR or immediate supervisor) or accompanied by a signed letter from the employer on company letterhead. Submit your CV or other authenticated document listing dates and places of consulting employment covering the requisite timeframe (3 out of the last 5 years).
2. Education – Bachelor’s degree or higher in science or an allied health field. Foreign transcripts must be translated by a service listed on our website.
3. Professional Certifications – Current professional certification or license in a clinical laboratory field / discipline through a nationally-recognized agency. Submit proof of valid certification or licensure.

4. Laboratory-related Experience – Six (6) years of relevant clinical laboratory experience. Submit your resume/curriculum vitae that demonstrates 6 years of relevant clinical experience. Relevant clinical experience must be in a laboratory that performs the chemical, physical, or biological examination of human fluids and tissues and that uses clinical laboratory techniques and methodologies.

5. Continuing Education – 30 clock hours of laboratory medicine or business-related continuing education credit within the last 3 years. Submit proof of your CE activities (certificates of completion, proof of presentations or books authored, organizational participation, etc.).

6. Professional Development – Must meet at least one of the following (Submit proof of your membership and or a list of references/resources used for consulting.):
 - Current member of two or more professional / business organizations

 - Developed resource material references used in consulting practice. Provide resource material references used in consulting practice (books, periodicals, audio and videotapes, newsletters, government publications, and all other resources).