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Elliot Laboratory Services Receives Accreditation from College of American Pathologists

Manchester, NH--- The Elliot Laboratory Services, a department of the Elliot Hospital has been awarded accreditation by the Accreditation Committee of the College of American Pathologists (CAP), based on the results of a recent onsite inspection. CAP is considered to be the leader in laboratory quality assurance.

During the CAP accreditation process, inspectors examine the laboratory's records and quality control of procedures for the preceding two years. CAP inspectors also examine laboratory staff qualifications, as well as the laboratory's equipment, facilities, safety program and record, in addition to the overall management of the laboratory. This stringent inspection program is designed to specifically ensure the highest standard of care for all laboratory patients.

In addition, Elliot Laboratory Services is accredited by the American Association of Blood Banks, Joint Commission for Healthcare Organizations, Food & Drug Administration, HCFA and CMS. These organizations accredit the laboratory for competence and quality. The Elliot Laboratory Services is dedicated to quality, innovation and optimization of patient care and performs over 1.4 million tests per year for more than 109,000 outpatients.

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