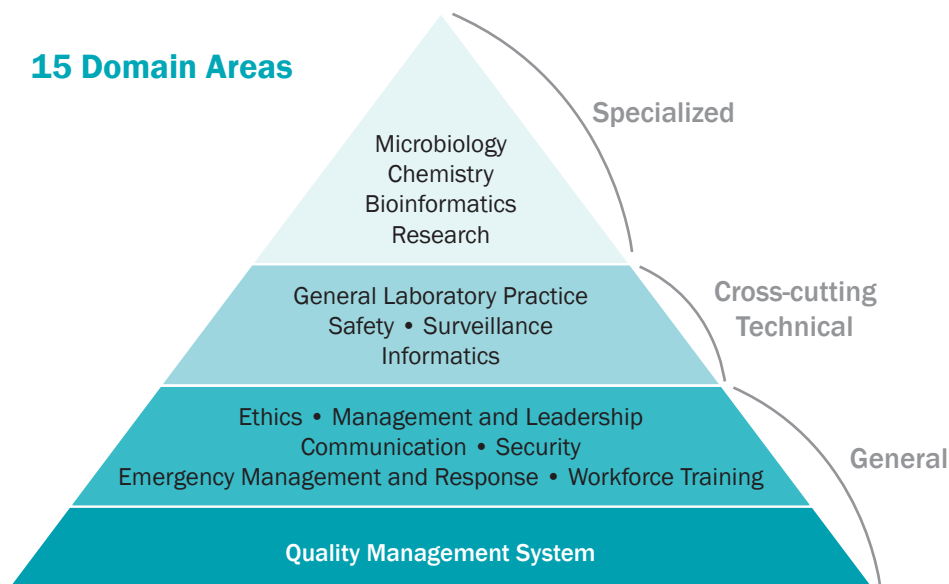


Recently published in MMWR...

Competency Guidelines for Public Health Laboratory Professionals



In a project sponsored by CDC and APHL, approximately 170 subject matter experts with diverse backgrounds and experiences in laboratory science and public health developed and reviewed **the first ever comprehensive set of competencies for laboratory professionals:**



Competencies were targeted for the PHL community but can apply to many laboratory types!

WHY Competencies?

- Outline the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary for PHL professionals to efficiently and effectively deliver the core services of PHLs
- Pave the way for quality improvement and for enhanced personnel management and workforce development:
 - Defining career ladders
 - Articulating staff performance expectations
 - Developing standardized position descriptions (e.g., Biosafety Outreach Officer)
 - Identifying and supporting training needs
 - Providing a guideline for personal professional development
 - Assessing individual staff performance
 - Enhancing organizational capacity

This resource is **FREE** and in the public domain!

Document was published on May 15, 2015 as a Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) supplement issue. The document is available at: http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/su6401a1.htm?s_cid=su6401a1_w.

Tools and resources to aid in competency implementation will be posted on www.aphl.org (under My Career > Laboratory Leadership).

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