

2024 PRISM Questions

1. What legislation defines the specific components of CMLTO's Quality Assurance Program?
 - a) *Medical Laboratory Technology Act, 1991*
 - b) *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991*
 - c) *Laboratory and Specimen Collection Centre Licensing Act, 1990*
 - d) CMLTO Consolidated By-Laws

The correct answer is: *Medical Laboratory Technology Act, 1991*

Further information: Ontario Regulation 207/94 under the *Medical Laboratory Technology Act, 1991*, defines the components of the Quality Assurance Program. These include the Professional Portfolio, Practice Review, and Competence Evaluation.

2. All Practising registrants should be dedicated to self-improvement and continued competence
 - a) True
 - b) False

The correct answer is: True

Further information: All Practising registrants are required to maintain their continued competence and to demonstrate a commitment to continuous quality improvement. Medical Laboratory Technologists must self-reflect on their professional practice to identify areas for improvement and to develop learning plans to address these areas through participating in professional development activities. These achievements are documented in the Professional Portfolio. This is an important part of being an accountable, self-regulated health professional.

3. What is the purpose of the Professional Portfolio?
 - a) To demonstrate you are a registrant of CMLTO
 - b) To support the continued professional development of Practising medical laboratory technologists
 - c) To ensure you complete your 30 hours of professional development
 - d) CMLTO does not have a Professional Portfolio

The correct answer is: b) To support the continued professional development of Practising medical laboratory technologists

Further information: The Professional Portfolio is one component of CMLTO'S Quality Assurance Program. Its purpose is to help registrants reflect on their practice and to identify areas of improvement to support their continuous professional development. All Practising registrants are required to maintain an up-to-date Professional Portfolio throughout the year, and this is self-declared during annual renewal.

4. Assuming responsibility for professional development is not a Standard of Practice that medical laboratory technologists must strive to meet.
 - a) True
 - b) False

The correct answer is: b) False

Further information: The Standards of Practice form the foundation of the Quality Assurance Program and apply to all Practising registrants. MLTs must assume responsibility for professional development, investing time, effort, and resources to maintain and enhance competence in areas of their professional practice.

5. Any activity that advances a medical laboratory technologist's knowledge, skill, and/or judgement can be pursued as a professional development activity.
 - a) True
 - b) False

The correct answer is: a) True

Further information: Professional Development activities are any activities that advances an MLT's knowledge, skill and/or judgment which supports MLT continued competence. Activities should either contribute to the maintenance or the continuous development of an MLT's professional practice.