

WAC 16-310-180 Revoking or suspending accreditation. The department may suspend or revoke laboratory accreditation.

(1) The department may revoke or suspend the entire accreditation and scope of accreditation or one or more individual parameters.

(a) Suspension of accreditation by the department is for a specified period during which the affected laboratory must correct deficiencies that led to the suspension.

(b) If the department determines deficiencies are not corrected, they may revoke the laboratory's accreditation.

(2) The department may suspend or revoke accreditation for reasons including, but not limited to, the following laboratory actions:

(a) Failure to comply with standards in chapter 16-309 WAC and this chapter;

(b) Violating a state rule relative to the analytical procedures for which it is accredited;

(c) Misrepresenting itself to the department;

(d) Falsifying reports of analysis including PT results;

(e) Engaging in unethical or deceitful practices concerning generation of analytical data;

(f) Is deficient in its ability to provide accurate and defensible analytical data;

(g) Refusing to permit entry for department audits as required by WAC 16-310-130;

(h) Failing to pay applicable fees; or

(i) Reporting two consecutive unacceptable PT sample results for the same analyte.

(3) A laboratory may appeal the suspension or revocation of its accreditation under the provisions of WAC 16-310-210.

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