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SEP EARNS THE GOLD STANDARD IN LAB ACCREDITATION

CLIENT FOCUS

SouthEastern Pathology (SEP) is pleased to announce the Accreditation Committee of the College of American Pathologists (CAP) has awarded accreditation to the lab based on the results of a recent onsite inspection.

"CAP accreditation is the best way to ensure that we are delivering the highest possible quality service to our clients," said Dr. Chris Kligora, Lab Director of SEP.

During the CAP accreditation process, inspectors thoroughly examine the

laboratory's records and quality control procedures for the preceding two years.

They also examine the lab's staff qualifications, lab equipment, safety policies and overall management.

This rigorous inspection program is designed to guarantee the highest standard of patient care.

SEP is one of more than 7,000 CAPaccredited labs worldwide.



PATHOLOGIST SPOTLIGHT: DR. MAAYA WILTON



Dr. Wilton joined SouthEastern Pathology in July 2011. Dr. Wilton was born and raised in Hawaii. She moved to Rome, GA from Sacramento, CA where she completed her Cytopathology Fellowship and Surgical Fellowship at University of California Davis Medical Center.

She earned her M.D. degree from the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine.

Subsequently, she completed her residency in anatomic and clinical pathology at the University of Hawaii and University of California Davis Medical Center where she was Chief Resident.

Dr. Wilton is currently board-certified in anatomic and clinical pathology. She is board-eligible in cytopathology. Dr. Wilton's pathology interests are in cytopathology, including performance and interpretation of palpable and ultrasound-guided fine needle aspirations with an emphasis on thyroid.

Dr. Wilton is very passionate about pathology and it is the perfect specialty for her because she loves the microscope, she is detail oriented and she enjoys interacting with other physicians and laboratory scientists.

Dr. Wilton is married and has two children. Outside of work, she is usually spending time with her family, reading or doing yoga.

FOCUSED ON SERVICE.

Improving Patient Care: A Few Important Reminders

- SEP accept <u>ALL</u> insurances.
- If you or your patients have any billing questions please call the lab and speak with a member of our billing staff. Also, we will gladly work with your <u>SELF-PAY</u> patients.
- In order to provide the best possible patient care, please include relevant clinical history (signs and symptoms) and all appropriate diagnosis codes.
- If you are doing a Pap and order additional tests such as HPV, CT and GC, it is extremely important to include the proper codes and/or reason for ordering.
- Remember to only rinse the Pap brush or broom in the ThinPrep vial and then discard. Do <u>NOT</u> break off the tip and leave it in the vial.
- We are focused on serving you and your patients. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.
- ICD10 is coming October 1, 2014.



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