

## **Commission for Motion Laboratory Accreditation**

### **Statement regarding sharing of accreditation materials (application and appendices) within hospital networks**

The Commission for Motion Laboratory Accreditation (CMLA) has been asked to consider whether motion analysis laboratories (accredited and those seeking accreditation) within the same hospital network may share application materials. The CMLA does not have a policy on this matter. CMLA has no jurisdiction in this regard but, if labs share information, applicants should be aware with the following:

- 1) It's expected that applicants declare that materials are only shared within the same hospital network and not with affiliated institutions outside their network or completely unaffiliated institutions.
- 2) Each lab would be assessed on an individual basis, and, therefore, application materials that have been approved for one lab may not be approved for another lab within the same hospital network. If sections are shared between labs, they should be specifically identified in the application including the institution from which the material came.
- 3) Everything included in the accreditation application should reflect the actual practices performed in the lab that is making application. Common practices will be labeled as such, and in that case, we will expect those sections to be nearly identical to other labs.
- 4) Application comments from the CMLA apply only to the individual lab that received them, and cannot be generalized to all labs within the system.

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