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MEMORANDUM FOR REGIONAL DIRECTORS,
DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS,
DIRECTOR, FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING
CENTER,
DIRECTOR, ARTESIA

FROM: Michael A. Pearson /s/ by *David P. Peter*
Executive Associate Commissioner
Office of Field Operations

SUBJECT: Current List of American Association of Blood Banks Accredited Parentage
Testing Laboratories

The attached memorandum dated January 15, 2002, is effective immediately.

On July 14, 2000, a memorandum entitled "Guidance on Parentage Testing for Family-Based Immigrant Visa Petitions" was issued by the Office of Programs. Attached to that memorandum was a list of parentage testing laboratories that had been accredited by the American Association of Blood Banks (AABB) that was to be provided by Immigration and Naturalization Service (Service) offices to petitioners who were required to undergo DNA testing to establish a claimed parental relationship. The AABB has recently updated the list of accredited parentage testing laboratories. This updated list (dated October 25, 2001) is attached to this memorandum and should now be used by all Service offices.

Attachments (3)



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MEMORANDUM FOR MICHAEL A. PEARSON
EXECUTIVE ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER
OFFICE OF FIELD OPERATIONS

FROM: Stuart Anderson /s/
Executive Associate Commissioner
Office of Policy and Planning

SUBJECT: Current list of American Association of Blood Banks Accredited Parentage
Testing Laboratories

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) field offices with the most current list of parentage testing laboratories that have been accredited by the American Association of Blood Banks (AABB). On July 14, 2000, this office issued a memorandum entitled "Guidance on Parentage Testing for Family-Based Immigrant Visa Petitions" (attached to this memorandum). The policy regarding DNA testing as a means of establishing a claimed parental relationship in immigration proceedings remains as delineated in that July 14, 2000 memorandum.

As was discussed in the July 14, 2000 memorandum, the AABB accredits parentage-testing laboratories for a 2-year period. The AABB has recently updated its list of accredited parentage laboratories. The current list of AABB accredited parentage testing laboratories, dated October 25, 2001, is attached. This list is different from the list attached to the July 14, 2000 memorandum (the list was dated October 7, 1999) and supercedes that list. The October 25, 2001 AABB list should now be provided by INS offices to petitioners whenever DNA testing is required.

Questions regarding the appropriate parentage test to use to establish a claimed relationship or analysis of the test results may be directed to the parentage-testing laboratory selected by the petitioner. Please direct any questions concerning these issues to Residence & Status Branch, Office of Adjudications, (202) 514-4754.

Attachments (2)



**AMERICAN
ASSOCIATION
OF BLOOD BANKS**

Accredited Parentage Testing Laboratories October 25, 2001

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HLA/DNA Laboratory
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Accredited Parentage Testing Laboratories October 25, 2001

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