

Guideline for Interpretive Diagnostic Error Reduction in Surgical Pathology and Cytology

Guideline Recommendations for Anatomic Pathologists

The College of American Pathologists (CAP) and the Association of Directors of Anatomic and Surgical Pathology (ADASP) have developed an evidence-based guideline to provide recommendations for secondary and timely reviews of surgical pathology and cytology cases to improve patient care.

1 Develop procedures to detect disagreements and potential interpretive errors.



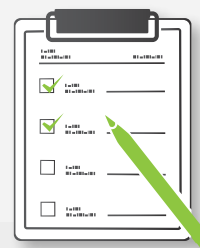
2 Perform case reviews in a timely manner for positive impact.



3 Document case review procedures that are relevant to each practice setting.



4 Continuously monitor and document the results of case review.



5 Take steps to improve agreement if poor agreement is identified within a defined area.



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