



Expert Panel on Method Evaluation Mission Statement

Purpose

The purpose of the Expert Panel on Method Evaluation is to:

- Identify gaps in existing guidance, including emerging technologies, and recommend development of products to meet stakeholder needs
- Develop and maintain globally applicable consensus-based laboratory standards and guidelines, and other products that are scientifically and clinically relevant
- Define best practices, requirements, and recommendations through collaborative expertise, current evidence in scientific literature, and rigorous evaluation
- Collaborate with other CLSI expert panels, subcommittees, and document development committees, as applicable, as well as other professional organizations, manufacturers, and regulatory bodies when developing consensus documents and other products
- Ensure that consensus documents and other products are clear, practical, relevant, and developed in a timely manner

This committee supports organizational goals by promoting global harmonization and standardization, and worldwide adoption of high-quality practices to improve health outcomes.

Subject Matter Authority

The Expert Panel on Method Evaluation has the authority to provide subject matter expertise for the development and maintenance of standards, guidelines, and other products within the area of method evaluation, including but not limited to:

- Evaluation framework for laboratory test methods used to inform clinical decision-making and support patient care (ie, CLSI Test Life Phases Model)
- Guidance that supports the Establishment and Implementation stages of the CLSI Test Life Phases Model
- Recommended study designs for evaluating the analytical and clinical performance of medical laboratory test methods in alignment with the CLSI Test Life Phases Model
- Method evaluation guidance that applies across common methodologies and specialties

Boundaries and Limitations

Guidance related to the role of test methods in influencing clinical decision-making or patient outcomes is outside of the expert panel's scope.

The Expert Panel on Method Evaluation does not establish regulatory or accreditation requirements and does not mandate laboratory-specific implementation of CLSI standards or guidance. Its authority is limited to developing and maintaining voluntary consensus standards, guidance, and other products through CLSI's product development processes.

Conformance With Requirements

The Expert Panel on Method Evaluation operates in conformance with requirements detailed in *CLSI's Standards Development Policies and Processes* including committee responsibilities; membership composition, selection, and terms; and, committee operating guidelines.

Meeting Frequency

The Expert Panel on Method Evaluation meets monthly, or as needed.

Reporting

The Expert Panel on Method Evaluation reports to the Consensus Council.

Review and Revision

This mission statement is reviewed annually. Updates must be approved by the Consensus Council.