## **D5655**

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## §493.1274 Standard: Cytology

(e)(4) Unsatisfactory specimens or slide preparations are identified and reported as unsatisfactory.

## **Interpretive** Guidelines §493.1274(e)(4)

The report should clearly specify when the slide is unsatisfactory for evaluation. Unsatisfactory slide preparations should not be reported as negative or normal. Use <u>D5805</u>.

## Probes §493.1274(e)(4)

What criteria have been developed for categorizing a slide preparation as unsatisfactory

(e.g., scant cellularity, obscuring blood, obscuring inflammation, or lack of endocervical component)?