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§493.1242 Standard: Specimen submission, handling, and referral

(b) The laboratory must document the date and time it receives a specimen.

Interpretive Guidelines §493.1242(b)

When a sample is collected and a test is performed during the course of a patient's visit, the date and time recorded in the patient "sign-in" log may be used as the date and time of receipt into the laboratory.